

# ARM Cross Development with Eclipse

## Summary

Eclipse with the CDT plug-in makes a great embedded software development platform for the ARM microcomputer family. This tutorial guides the reader through the myriad of web sites, software downloads and setups required constructing a complete ARM Integrated Development Environment (IDE). We design a simple “blinker” program and debug and execute the program on a target ARM microprocessor board. The software is free and the hardware required to get started is less than \$100.

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## Introduction

I credit my interest in science and electronics to science fiction movies in the fifties. Robbie the Robot in the movie “Forbidden Planet” especially enthralled me and I watched every episode of Rocky Jones, Space Ranger on television. In high school, I built a robot and even received a ham radio operator license at age 13.

Electronic kits were popular then and I built many Heath kits and Knight kits, everything from ham radio gear to televisions, personal computers and robots. These kits not only saved money at the time, but the extensive instruction manuals taught the basics of electronics.

Unfortunately, surface mount technology and pick-and-place machines obliterated any cost advantage to “building it yourself” and Heath and Allied Radio all dropped out of the kit business.

What of our children today? They have home computers to play with, don’t they? Do you learn anything by playing a Star Wars game or downloading music? I think not, while these pastimes may be fun they are certainly not intellectually creative.

A couple years ago, there were 5 billion microcomputer chips manufactured planet-wide. Only 300 million of these went into desktop computers. The rest went into

toasters, cars, fighter jets and Roomba vacuum cleaners. This is where the real action is in the field of computer science and engineering. It's called "embedded software development".

Can today's young student or home hobbyist tired of watching Reality Television dabble in microcomputer electronics? The answer is an unequivocal YES!

Most people start out with projects involving the Microchip **PIC** series of microcontrollers. You may have seen these in Nuts and Volts magazine or visited the plethora of web sites devoted to **PIC** computing. **PIC** microcomputer chips are very cheap (a couple of dollars) and you can get an IDE (Integrated Development Environment), compilers and emulators from Microchip and others for a very reasonable price.

Another inexpensive microcontroller for the hobbyist to work with is the **Rabbit** microcomputer. The **Rabbit** line is an 8-bit microcontroller with development packages (board and software) costing less than \$140.

I've longed for a real, state-of-the-art microcomputer to play with. One that can do 32-bit arithmetic as fast as a speeding bullet and has all the on-board RAM and EPROM needed to build sophisticated applications. My prayers have been answered recently as big players such as Texas Instruments, Philips and Atmel have been selling inexpensive microcontroller chips based on the 32-bit ARM architecture. These chips have integrated RAM and FLASH memory, a rich set of peripherals such as serial I/O, PWM, I2C, SSI, Timers etc. and high performance at low power consumption.

A very good example from this group is the Philips LPC2000 family of microcontrollers. The LPC2106 has the following features, all enclosed in a 48-pin package costing about \$11.88 (latest price from Digikey for one LPC2106).

### **Key features**

- 16/32-bit ARM7TDMI-S processor.
- 64 kB on-chip Static RAM.
- 128 kB on-chip Flash Program Memory. In-System Programming (ISP) and In-Application Programming (IAP) via on-chip boot-loader software.
- Vectored Interrupt Controller with configurable priorities and vector addresses.
- JTAG interface enables breakpoints and watch points.
- Multiple serial interfaces including two UARTs (16C550), Fast I<sup>2</sup>C (400 kbits/s) and SPI<sup>™</sup>.
- Two 32-bit timers (7 capture/compare channels), PWM unit (6 outputs), Real Time Clock and Watchdog.
- Up to thirty-two 5 V tolerant general-purpose I/O pins in a tiny LQFP48 (7 x 7 mm<sup>2</sup>) package.
- 60 MHz maximum CPU clock available from programmable on-chip Phase-Locked Loop with settling time of 100  $\mu$ s.
- On-chip crystal oscillator with an operating range of 1 MHz to 30 MHz.
- Two low power modes: Idle and Power-down.
- Processor wake-up from Power-down mode via external interrupt.
- Individual enable/disable of peripheral functions for power optimization.
- Dual power supply:
  - CPU operating voltage range of 1.65 V to 1.95 V (1.8 V  $\pm$  8.3 pct.).
  - I/O power supply range of 3.0 V to 3.6 V (3.3 V  $\pm$  10 pct.) with 5 V tolerant I/O pads.

Several companies have come forward with the LPC2000 microcontroller chips placed on modern surface-mount boards, ready to use.

Olimex, an up-and-coming electronics company in Bulgaria, offers a family of Philips LPC2100 boards. Specifically they offer three versions with the LPC2106 CPU. The Olimex web site is [www.olimex.com](http://www.olimex.com). You can also buy these from Spark Fun Electronics in Colorado; their web site is [www.sparkfun.com](http://www.sparkfun.com). The Olimex boards are also carried by Microcontroller Pros in California, their web site is [www.microcontrollershop.com](http://www.microcontrollershop.com)

The New Micros TiniARM and Plug-an-ARM family distinguish themselves in their small size so that you may solder them directly into your applications. They sell a development board to help you get started. New Micros product may be purchased online from their website [www.newmicros.com](http://www.newmicros.com).

Embedded Artists products can be purchased from their online store at : <http://www.embeddedartists.com/> and in the USA from : <http://www.lpctools.com/>



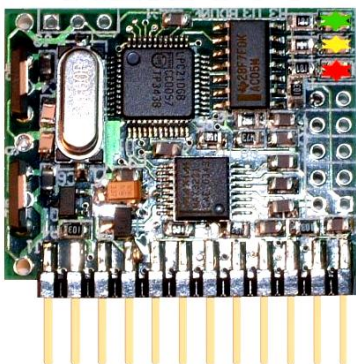
This is the Olimex LPC-H2106 header board. You can literally solder this tiny board onto Radio Shack perfboard, attach a power supply and serial cable and start programming. It costs about \$49.95. Obviously, it requires some soldering to get started.



This is the Olimex LPC-P2106 prototype board. Everything is done for you. There's a power connector for a wall-wart power supply, a DB-9 serial connector and a JTAG port. It costs about \$59.95 plus \$2.95 for the wall-wart power supply.



This is the Olimex LPT-MT development board; it has everything the prototype board above includes plus a LCD display and four pushbuttons to experiment with. It costs about \$79.95 plus \$2.95 for the wall-wart power supply.

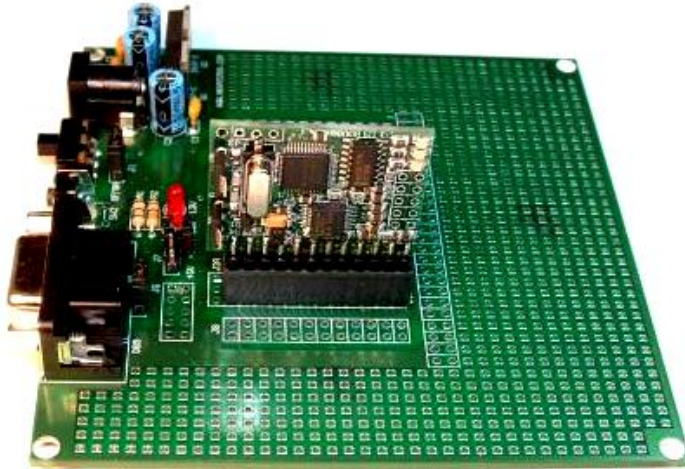


This is the New Micros Tini2106 TiniARM board. The ten plated-through holes are for a JTAG debugger. Being the size of a large postage stamp, the TiniARM is limited in the number of IO ports and



peripherals that can be brought out on the 24-pin double row header on the bottom.

The TiniARM costs \$69.00 and at 1" x 1.3" it is certainly the smallest of the available ARM "Stamp" boards.



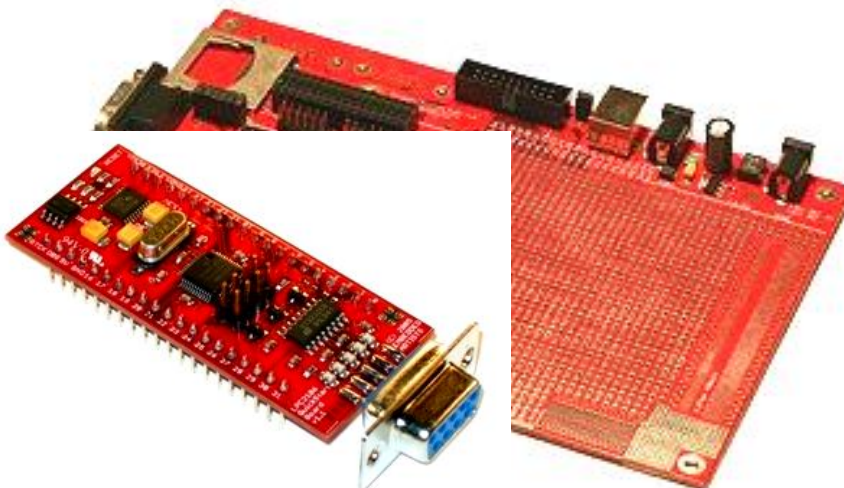
To simplify development of TiniARM applications, New Micros sells this Tini2106 Development Kit for \$95. The Tini2106 board mentioned above is included in this price.

The development board includes a voltage regulator, DB-9 serial connector for flash programming and a reset button. There's a

large prototype area for you to add your own circuits.

You will have to fashion an adapter to fit a standard 20-pin JTAG cable into the TiniARM's 10-pin JTAG header (see Appendix for information on how to do this)

Embedded Artists sell this LPC2106-based header board for \$51. It includes a 32 Kbyte serial EPROM and all I/O ports are brought out to the header pins.



This \$39 prototype board from Embedded Artists accepts the LPC2106 header board above and provides a JTAG connector, voltage regulators, Flash Programming serial port, 4 switches and 16 LEDs.

The point in showing these products is that they all provide a complete LPC2106 hardware development platform for under \$100. For no particular reason other than being the lowest cost, we will concentrate on the **Olimex LPC-P2106** board for this tutorial. However, an Appendix will show how easy it is to use the same software on the New Micros TiniARM family of boards.

For starting out, I would recommend the **LPC-P2106** prototype board since it has an open prototype area for adding I2C chips and the like for advanced experimentation.

When you do design and develop something really clever, you could use the LPC-H2106 header board (or the TiniARM or Embedded Artists header boards) soldered into a nice Jameco or Digikey prototype board and know that the CPU end of your project will work straight away. If you need to build multiple copies of your design, Spark Fun can get small runs of blank circuit boards built for \$5.00 per square inch. You can acquire the Eagle-Lite software from CadSoft for free to design the schematic and PCB masks.

So the hardware to experiment with 32-bit ARM microprocessors is available and affordable. What about the software required for editing, compiling, linking and downloading applications for the LPC2106 board?

Embedded microcomputer development software has always been considered “professional” and priced accordingly. It’s very common for an engineer in a technical company to spend \$1000 to \$5000 for a professional development package. I once ordered \$18,000 of compilers and emulators for a single project. In the professional engineering world, time is money. The commercial software development packages for the ARM architecture install easily, are well supported and rarely have bugs. In fact, most of them can load your program into either RAM or FLASH and you can set breakpoints in either. The professional compiler packages are also quite efficient; they generate compact and speedy code.

The Rowley CrossWorks recommended by Olimex is \$904.00, clearly out of the range for the student or hobby experimenter. I’ve seen other packages going up as high as \$3000. A professional would not bat an eyelash about paying this – time is money.

There is a low cost alternative to the high priced professional software development packages, the GNU toolset. GNU is the cornerstone of the open-source software movement. It was used to build the LINUX operating system. The GNU Toolset includes compilers, linkers, utilities for all the major microprocessor platforms, including the ARM architecture. The GNU toolset is free.

The editor of choice these days is the Eclipse open-source Integrated Development Environment (IDE). By adding the CDT plug-in (C/C++ Development Toolkit), you can edit and build C programs using the GNU compiler toolkit. Eclipse is also free.

Philips provides a Windows flash programming utility that allows you to transfer the hex file created by the GNU compiler/linker into the onboard flash EPROM on the LPC2106 microprocessor chip. The Philips tool is also free.

Dominic Rath has made available a free Windows utility called OpenOCD that allows the Eclipse/GDB (GNU Debugger) to access the Philips LPC2106 microprocessor via the JTAG port using an expensive device called the “**wiggler**”. The Norwegian company Zylín has created a custom version of CDT that enables the debugger to work better with cross-development applications.

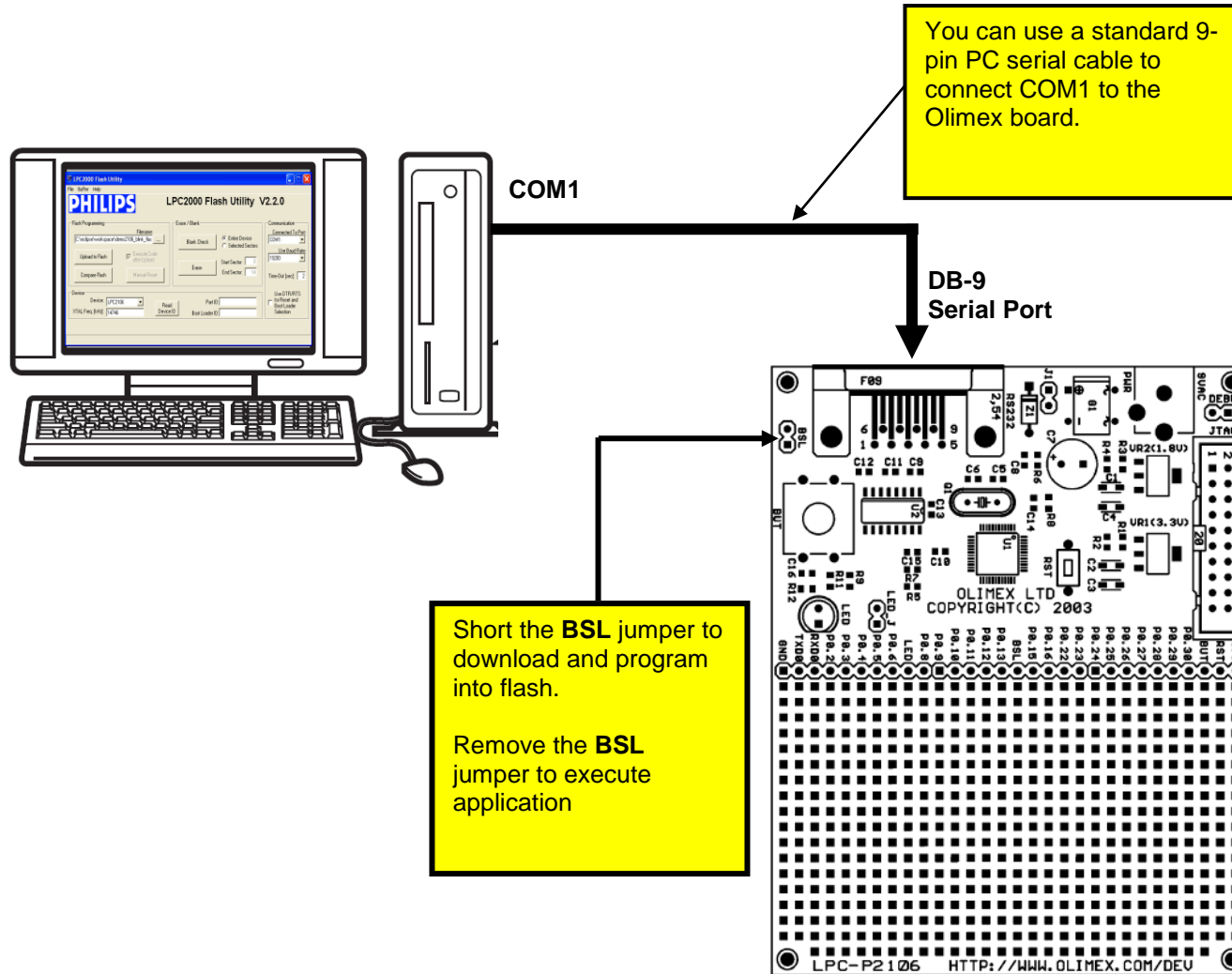
At this point, you’re probably saying “this is great – all these tools and they’re FREE!” In the interest of honesty and openness, let’s delineate the downside of the free open software GNU tools.

- You need an internet broadband connection to download these tools.
- Installation of these software tools is tedious and time-consuming.
- There’s no telephone support.

If you were a professional programmer, you might not accept these limitations. For the student or hobbyist, the Eclipse/GNU toolset still gives fantastic capabilities for zero cost.

The Eclipse/GNU Compiler toolset we will be creating in this tutorial operates in three modes.

## A. Application programmed into FLASH (no debugging)

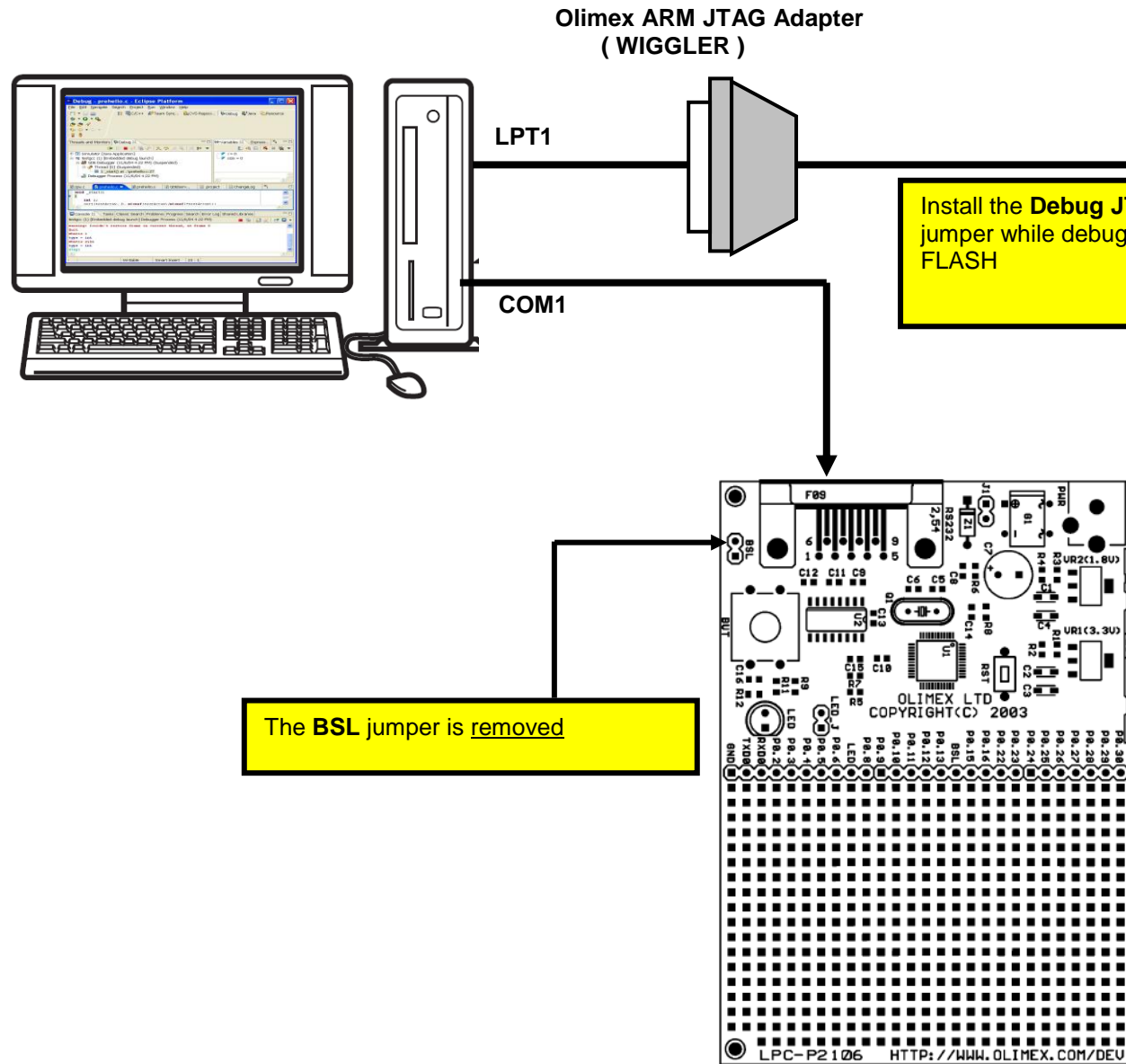


In this mode, the Eclipse/GNU development system assembles, compiles and links your application for loading into FLASH memory. The output of the compiler/linker suite is an Intel hex file, e.g. **main.hex**.

The **Philips LPC2000 Flash Utility** is started within Eclipse and will download your hex file and program the flash memory through the standard COM1 serial cable. The Boot Strap Loader (**BSL**) jumper must be shorted (installed) to run the Philips flash programming utility.

To execute the application, you remove the BSL jumper and push the RESET button to start the application. Assuming you are a zero-defect programmer, your application will run.

## B. Application programmed and debugged into FLASH



In this mode, the Eclipse/GNU development system assembles, compiles and links your application for loading into FLASH memory. The output of the compiler/linker suite is a GNU output file, e.g. **main.hex** and/or **main.out**.

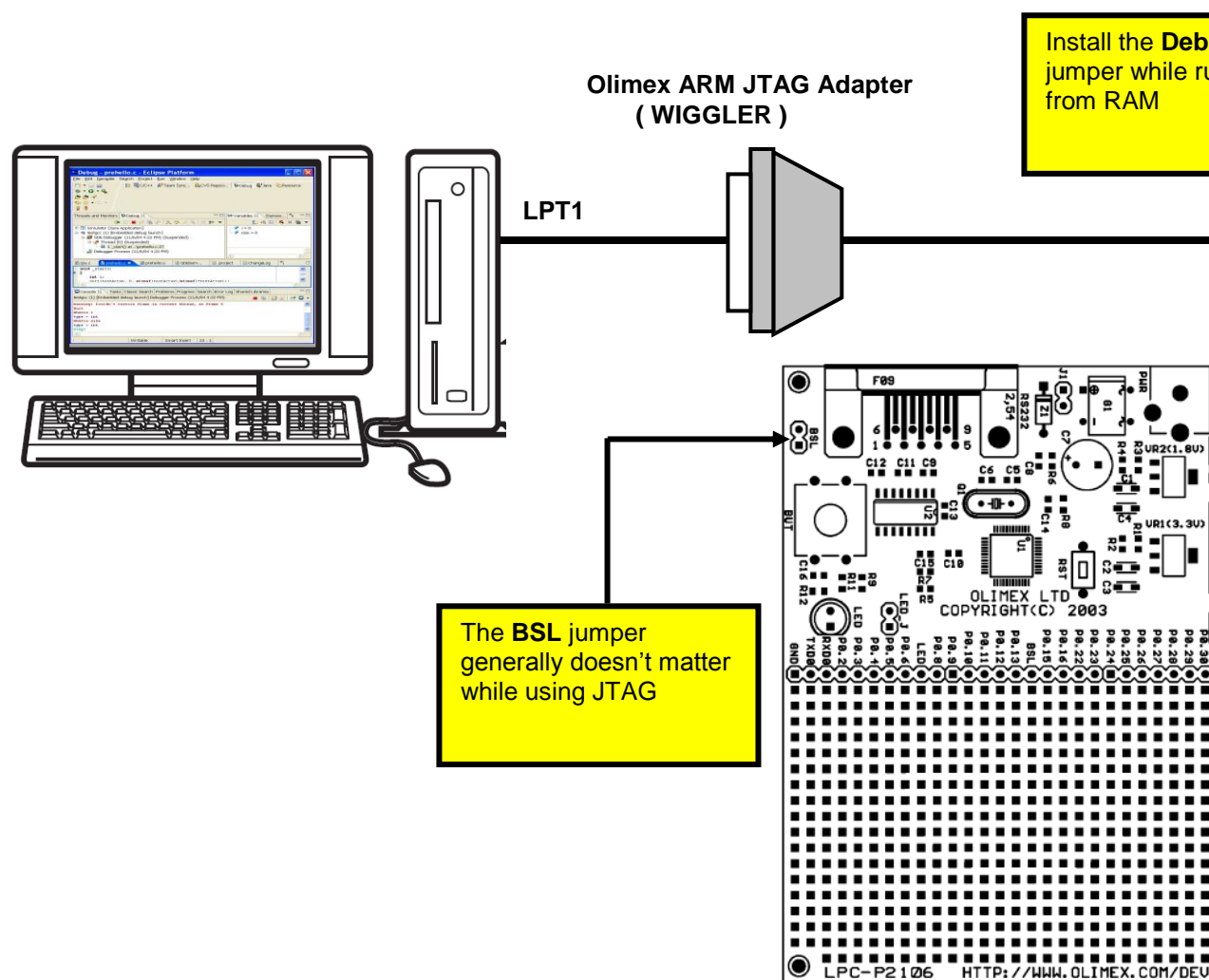
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The PC is connected from the PC's printer port LPT1 to the JTAG port through the **Olimex ARM JTAG** interface (costs about \$19.95 from Spark Fun Electronics). The Olimex **ARM JTAG** is a clone of the Macraigor **Wiggler**.

You can then run the **OpenOCD** program as an external tool from within Eclipse. The **CDT** debugger (started from within Eclipse) communicates with the **OpenOCD** program that operates the JTAG port using the **Wiggler**. From this point on, using the debugging information in the **main.out** file, you can set up to two hardware breakpoints, view variables and structures and, of course, run the application.

Now you can debug to your heart's content; as long as you don't specify more than two breakpoints.

## C. Application programmed and debugged into RAM



The drawback is that the application must fit within RAM memory on the LPC2106, which is 64 Kbytes. Still, it's better than nothing.





If you are very new to ARM microcomputers, there's no better introductory book than "**The Insider's Guide to the Philips ARM7-Based Microcontrollers**" by Trevor Martin. Martin is an executive of Hitex, a UK vendor of embedded microcomputer development software and hardware and he obviously understands his material.

You can download this e-book for free from the Hitex web site.

<http://www.hitex.co.uk/arm/lpc2000book/index.html>

There is a controversial section in Chapter 2 with benchmarks showing that the GNU toolset is 4 times slower in execution performance and 3.5 times larger in code size than other professional compiler suites for the ARM microprocessors. Already

Mr. Martin has been challenged about these benchmarks on the internet message boards; see "The Dhrystone benchmark, the LPC2106 and GNU GCC" at this web address:

<http://www.compuphase.com/dhrystone.htm>

Well, we can't fault Trevor Martin for tooting his own horn! In any case, Martin's book is a magnificent work and it would behoove you to download and spend a couple hours reading it. I've used Hitex tools professionally and can vouch for their quality and value. Read his book! Better yet, it's required reading.

My purpose in this tutorial is to guide the student or hobbyist through the myriad of documentation and web sites containing the necessary component parts of a working

ARM software development environment. I've devised a simple sample program that blinks an LED that is compatible in every way with the GNU assembler, compiler and linker.

There are two variants of this program; a FLASH-based version and a RAM-based version. The RAM-based version is limited to the LPC2106 RAM space (64K) but you can set an unlimited number of software breakpoints. The FLASH-based version can be burned into onboard flash using the Philips ISP utility and then debugged using JTAG as long as you limit yourself to two breakpoints (hardware).

If you get this to work, you are well on your way to the fascinating world of embedded software development. Take a deep breath **and HERE WE GO!**

# Installing the Necessary Components

To set up an ARM cross-development environment using Eclipse, you need to download and install several components. The required parts of the Eclipse/ARM cross development system are:

1. **SUN Java Runtime**
2. **Eclipse IDE**
3. **Eclipse CDT Plug-in for C++/C Development (Zylin custom version)**
4. **CYGWIN GNU C++/C Compiler and Toolset for Windows**
5. **GNUARM GNU C++/C Compiler for ARM Targets**
6. **Philips Flash Programmer for LPC2100 Family CPUs**
7. **OpenOCD for JTAG debugging**

## JAVA Runtime

Quite a bit of the Eclipse IDE was written in JAVA. Therefore, you must have the JAVA runtime installed on your Windows computer to run Eclipse. Most people already have JAVA set up in their Windows system, but just in case you don't have JAVA installed, here's how to do it.

The JAVA runtime is available free at [www.sun.com](http://www.sun.com). The following screen will appear. Click on "**Downloads – Java 2 Standard Edition**" to continue.

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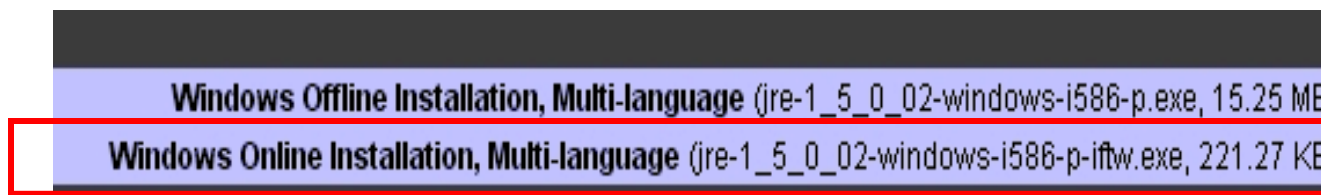
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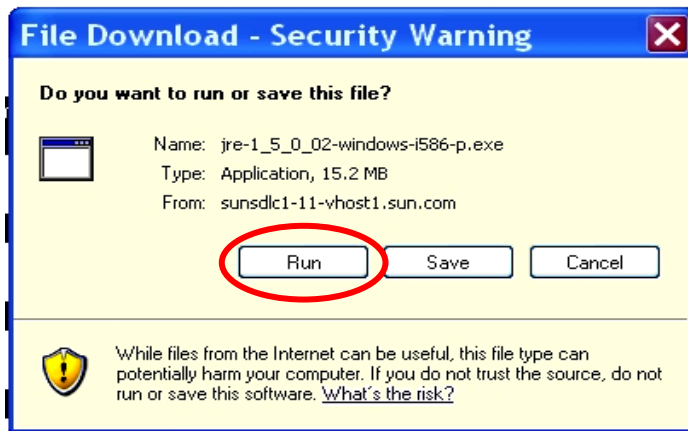
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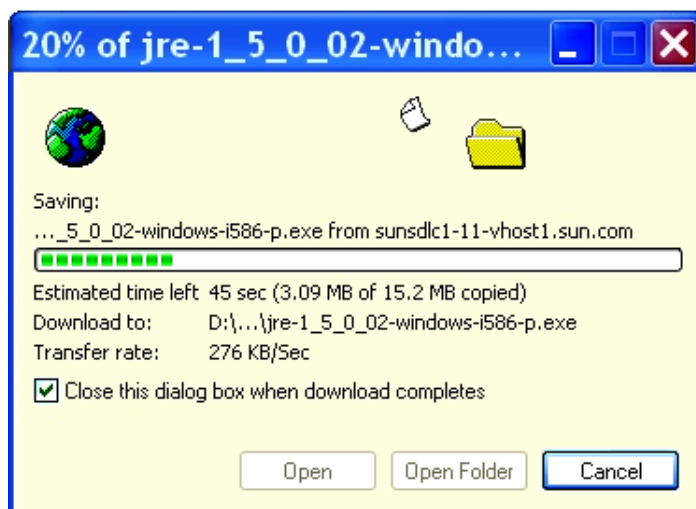
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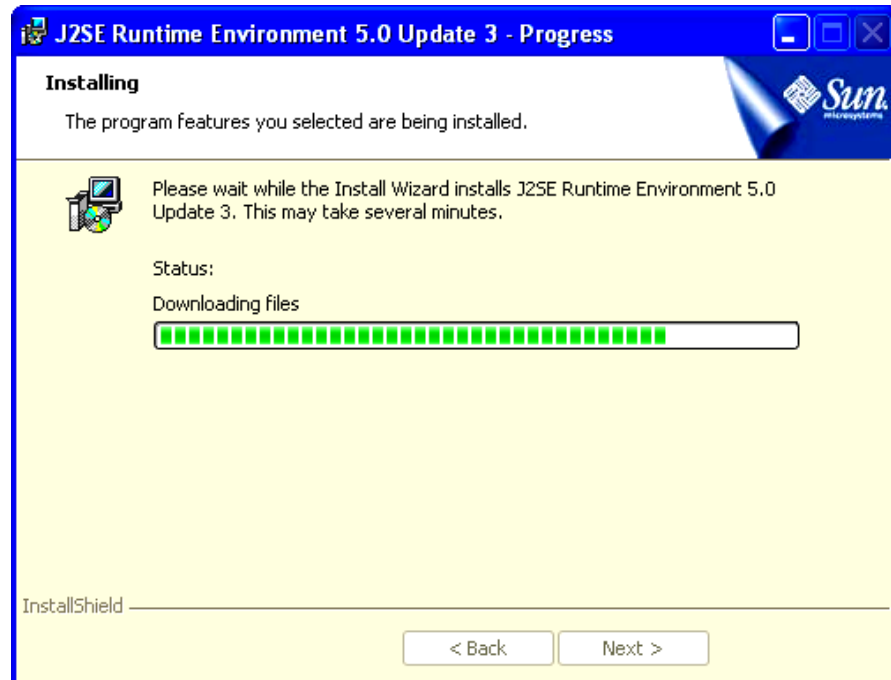
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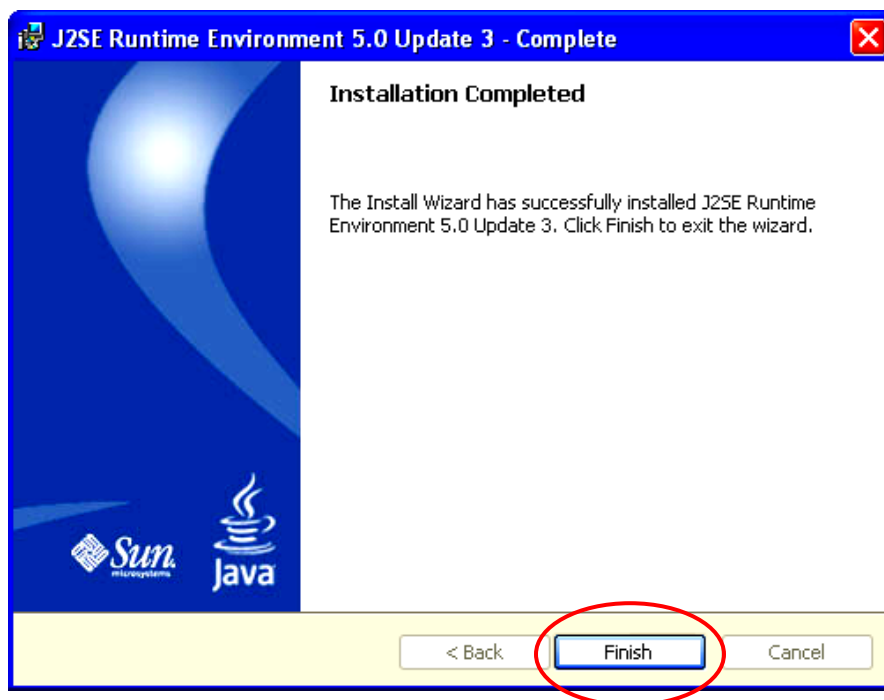
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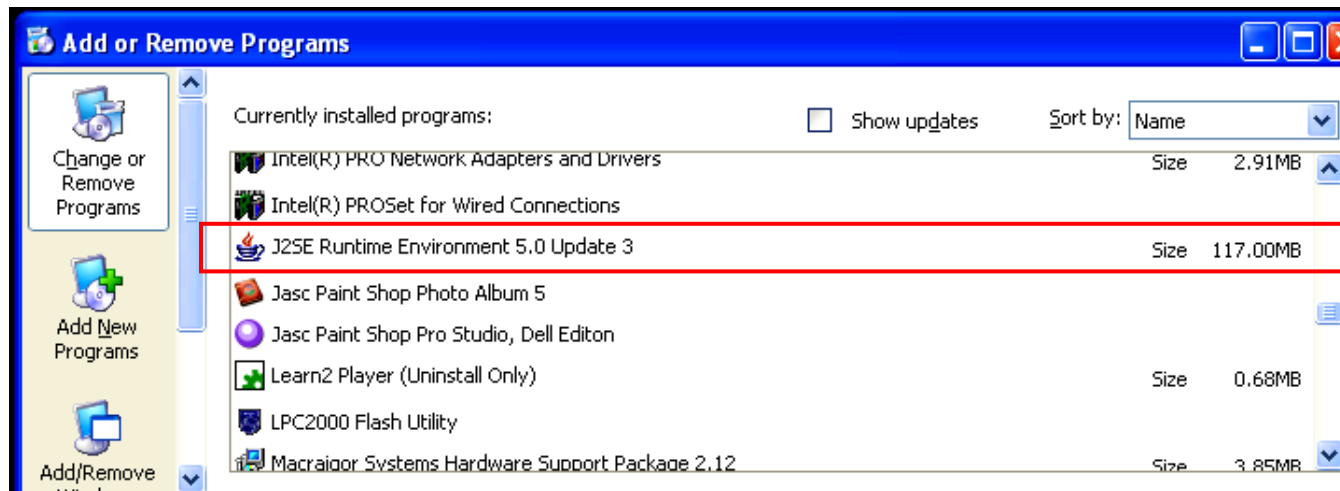
When the Java Runtime Environment installation completes, you will see this display. Click on "**Finish**."





As a quick check, go to the Windows **Start** menu and select “**Start – Control Panel – Add or Remove Programs.**”

Scroll down the list of installed programs and see if the Java J2SE Runtime Environment was indeed installed!



The Sun Microsystems web site is very dynamic, changing all the time. Don't be surprised if some of the example screen captures shown here are a bit different.

# Eclipse IDE

The Eclipse IDE is a complete Integrated Development Environment platform similar to Microsoft's Visual Studio. Originally developed by IBM, it has been donated to the Open-Source community and is now a massive world-wide Open-Source development project. Eclipse, by itself, is configured to edit and debug JAVA programs. By installing the CDT plug-ins, you can use Eclipse to edit and debug C/C++ programs (more on that later). When properly setup, you will have a sophisticated programmer's editor, compilers and debugger sufficient to design, build and debug ARM applications.

You can download Eclipse for free at the following web site.

[www.eclipse.org](http://www.eclipse.org)

The following Eclipse welcome page will display. Expect some differences from my example below since the Eclipse web site is very dynamic. Click on **"Downloads"** to get things started.

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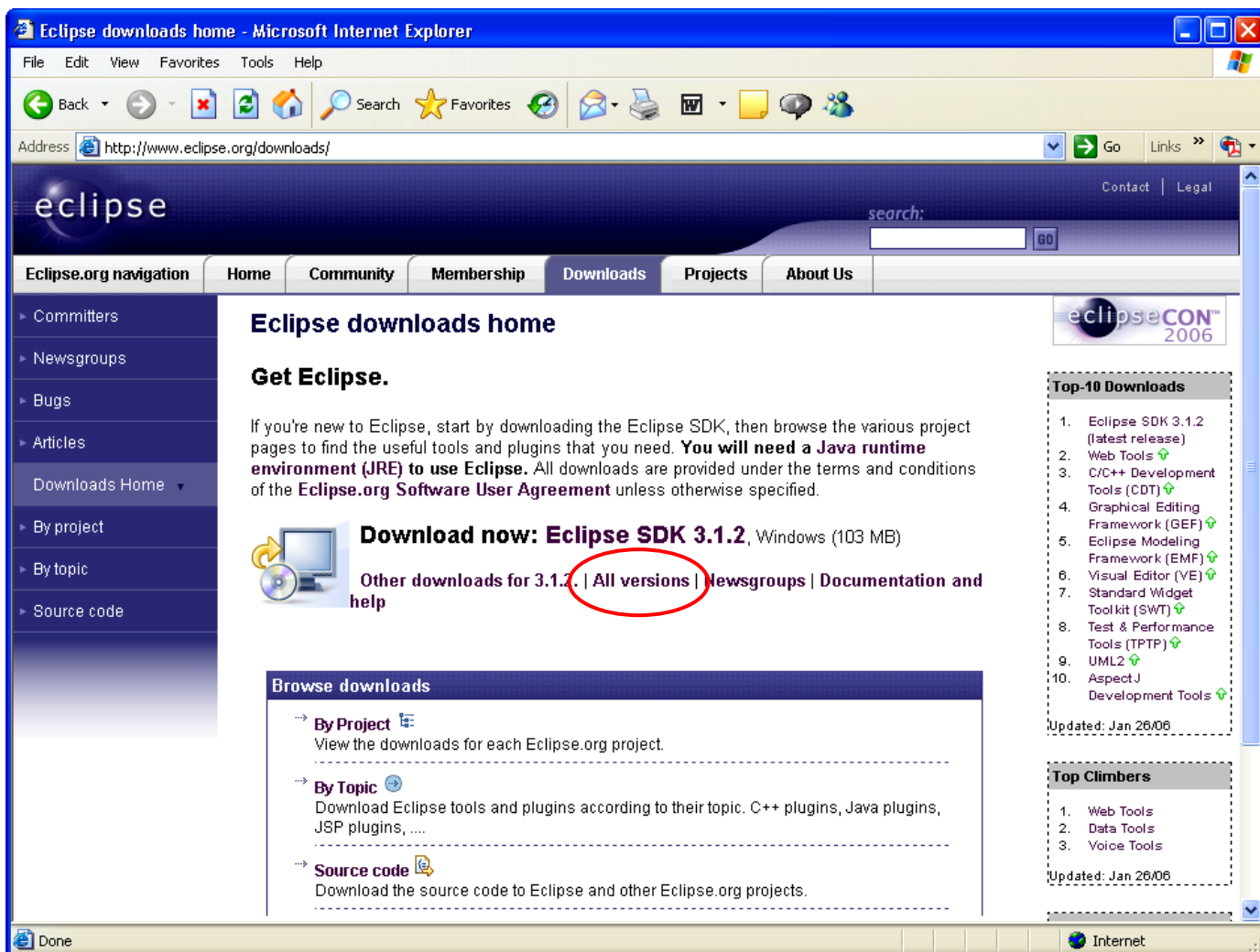
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The Eclipse download window will appear. Eclipse is constantly being improved and new releases come several times a year. Usually the safest thing to download is the “official” latest release. When this tutorial was created, the latest release was **Eclipse SDK 3.1.1**

To modify Eclipse to develop embedded C programs, we will be using the **CDT** plug-in developed by the Norwegian company Zylind. You must select the Eclipse release that matches with the currently available Zylind **CDT** release (Zylind doesn’t archive old releases of **CDT**). As this tutorial was written, the Zylind **CDT** (version developed on January 11, 2006) requires the **Eclipse 3.2 M4** stable release.

Click on “All Versions” below to find the **Eclipse 3.2 M4** Stable Release.



In the upcoming section on the **CDT** plug-in, we will show how to find out what the matching versions of **CDT** and Eclipse are.

Click on Eclipse version **3.2M4** as shown below.

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On this page you can find the latest [builds](#) produced by the [Eclipse Project](#). To get started run the program and go through the user and developer documentation provided in the online help system. If you have problems downloading the drops, contact the [webmaster](#). If you have problems installing or getting the workbench to run, [check out the Eclipse Project FAQ](#), or try posting a question to the [newsgroup](#). All downloads are provided under the terms and conditions of the [Eclipse.org Software User Agreement](#) unless otherwise specified.

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3.2 Stream Nightly Build	<a href="#">N20060129-0010</a>	Sun, 29 Jan 2006 -- 00:10 (-0500)
3.1.2 Stream Maintenance Build		
Language Pack	<a href="#">3.1.1_Language_Packs</a>	Wed, 5 Oct 2005 -- 13:00 (-0400)

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Now click on “**eclipse-SDK-3.2M4-win32.zip**” to start the download process.

**Stable Build: 3.2M4**  
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You can also download builds via anonymous ftp at [download.eclipse.org](#).

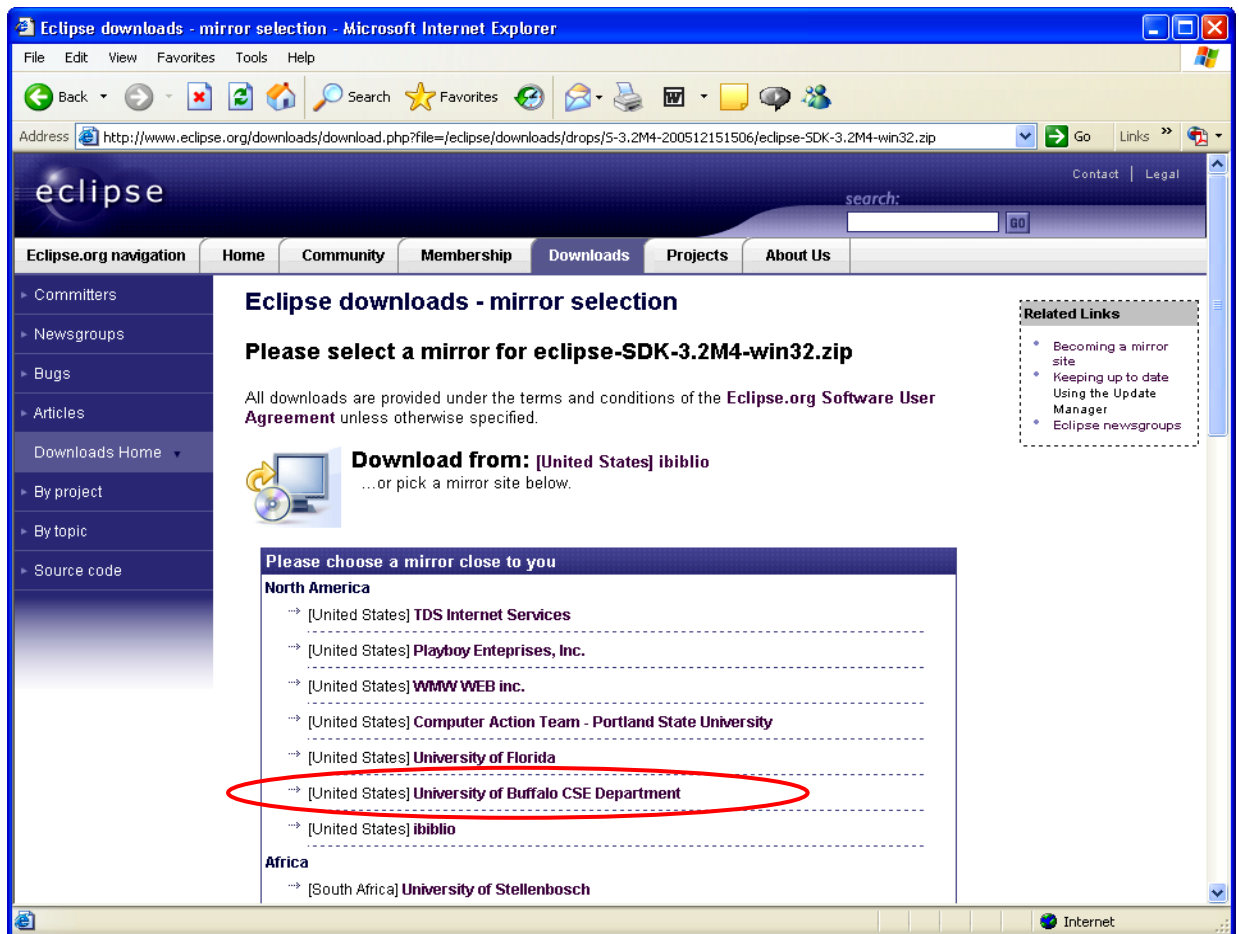
Click [here](#) for instructions on how to verify the integrity of your downloads.

**Eclipse SDK**

The Eclipse SDK includes the Eclipse Platform, Java development tools, and Plug-in Development Environment, including source and both user and programmer documentation. If you aren't sure which download you want... then you probably want this one.  
**Eclipse does not include a Java runtime environment (JRE).** You will need a 1.4.2 level or higher Java runtime or Java development kit (JDK) installed on your machine in order to run Eclipse. [Click here](#) if you need help finding a Java runtime.

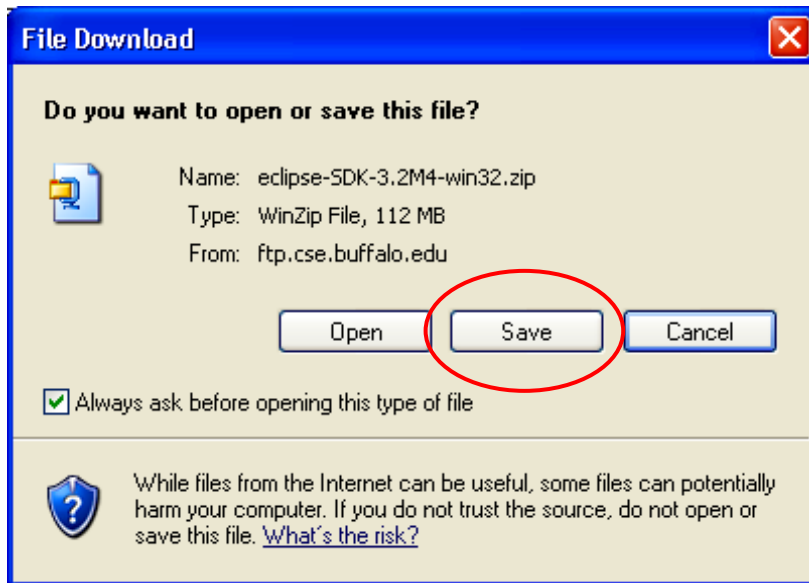
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What appears next is a list of download mirror sites that host the Eclipse components. I selected the **University of Buffalo CSE Department** in my home town (and where I got my MSEE degree).

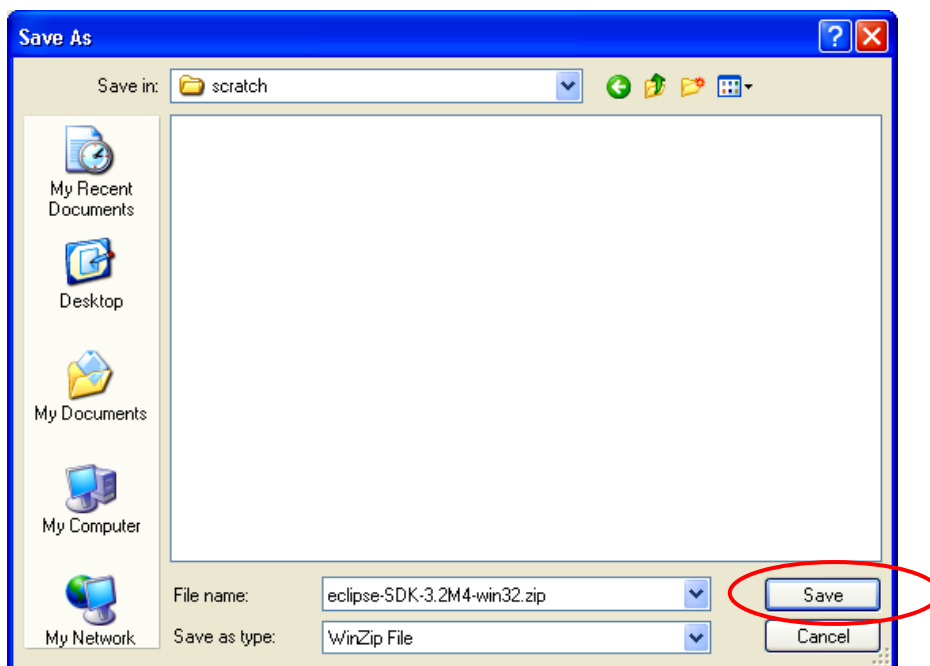


When the mirror site starts the download process, you have to select a destination directory for the Eclipse zip file. In my case, I created an empty **C:/scratch** directory on one of my hard drives (you could use any other drive as well).

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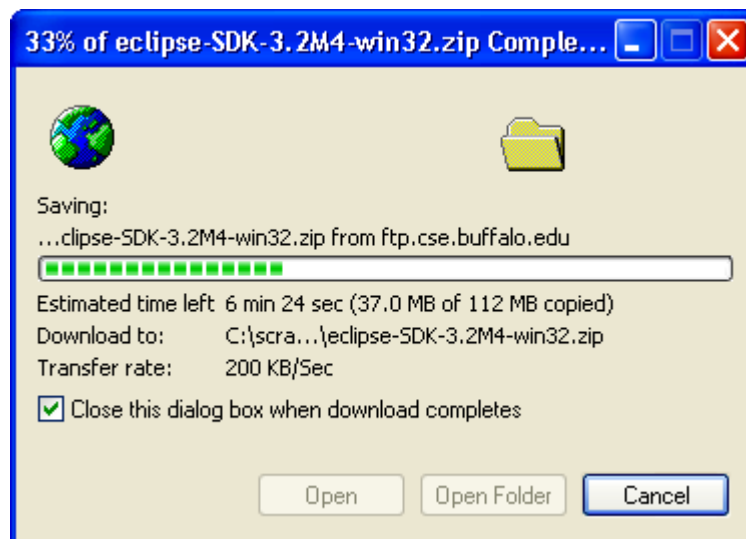
Now browse to the **c:/scratch** directory that you created previously.



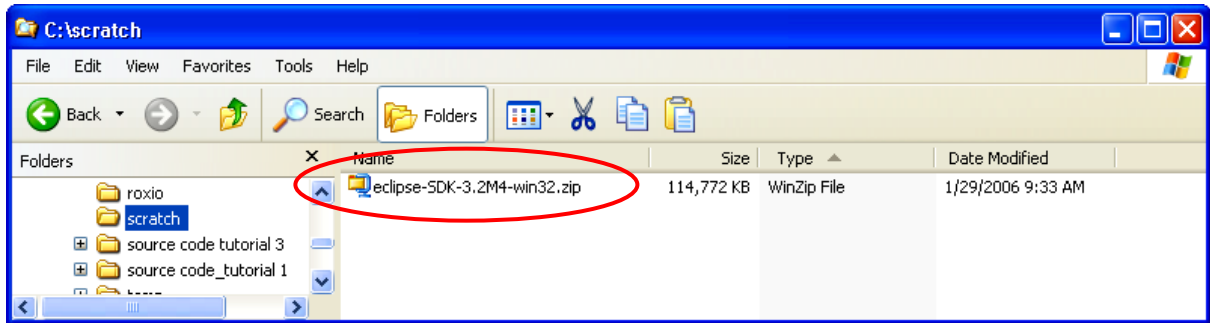
Click on **Save** above to start the download.

Now the download will start. Eclipse is delivered as a ZIP file. It's **112 megabytes** in length and takes 10 minutes to download with my broadband cable modem. If you have a dialup internet connection, this will be excruciating. If you don't have a cable

modem high-speed internet connection, I suggest you find somebody who does and go over there with a blank CDROM and a gift.



When the Eclipse download completes, you should see the following zip file in your scratch directory.



Eclipse is delivered as a ZIP file (**eclipse-SDK-3.2M4-win32.zip**). You can use WinZip to decompress this file and load its constituent parts on your hard drive. If you don't have WinZip, you can get a free evaluation version from this address:

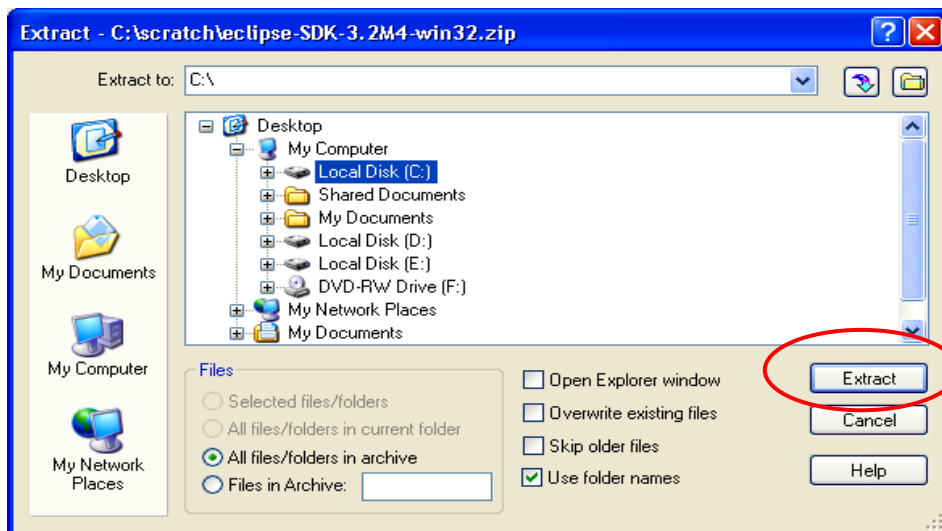
<http://www.winzip.com/>

There's a decent Help file supplied by WinZip. Therefore, we're going to assume that the reader is able to use a tool such as WinZip to extract from zip files.

In my computer, with WinZip installed, double-clicking on the zip file name (**eclipse-SDK-3.1-win32.zip**) in the Windows Explorer display above will automatically start up WinZip. To be fair, Windows Explorer has features to unzip these files also.

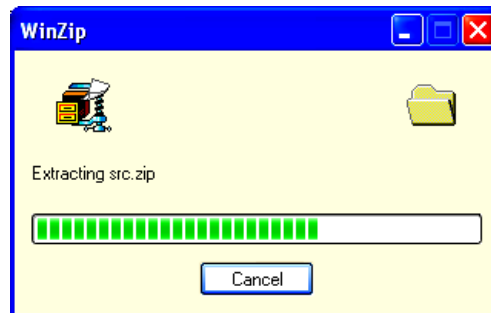
WinZip will ask you into what directory you wish to extract the contents of the zip file. In this case, you must specify the root drive **C:**

Click on "**Extract**" to start the Eclipse file decompression.

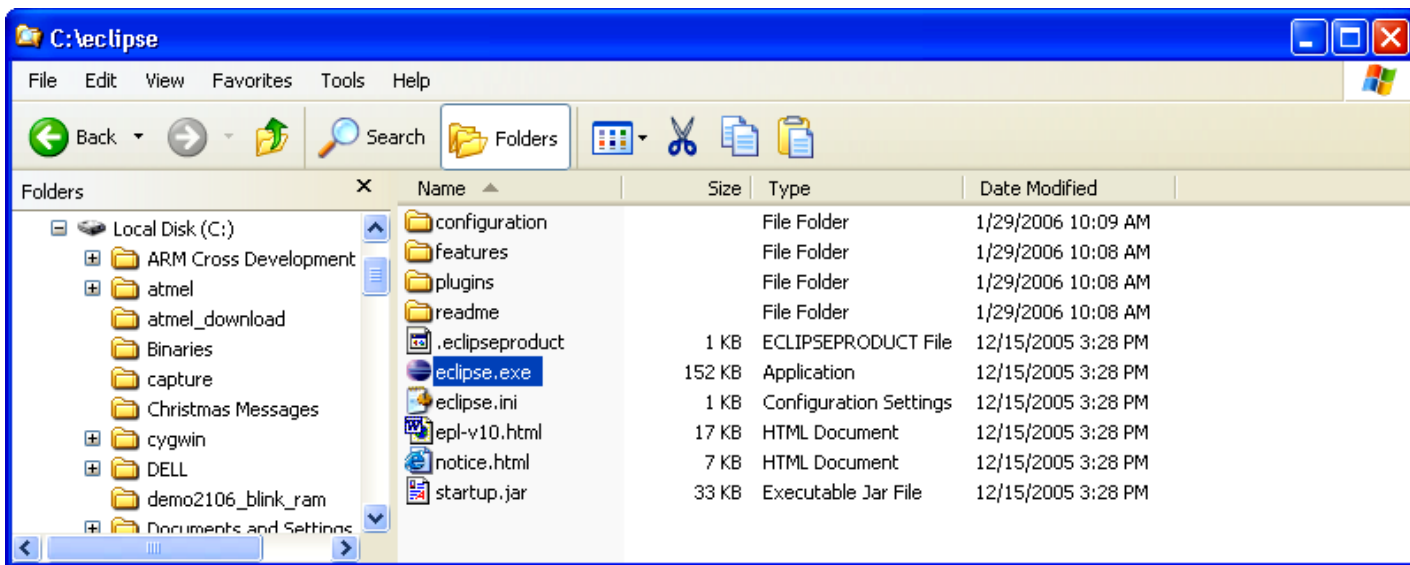




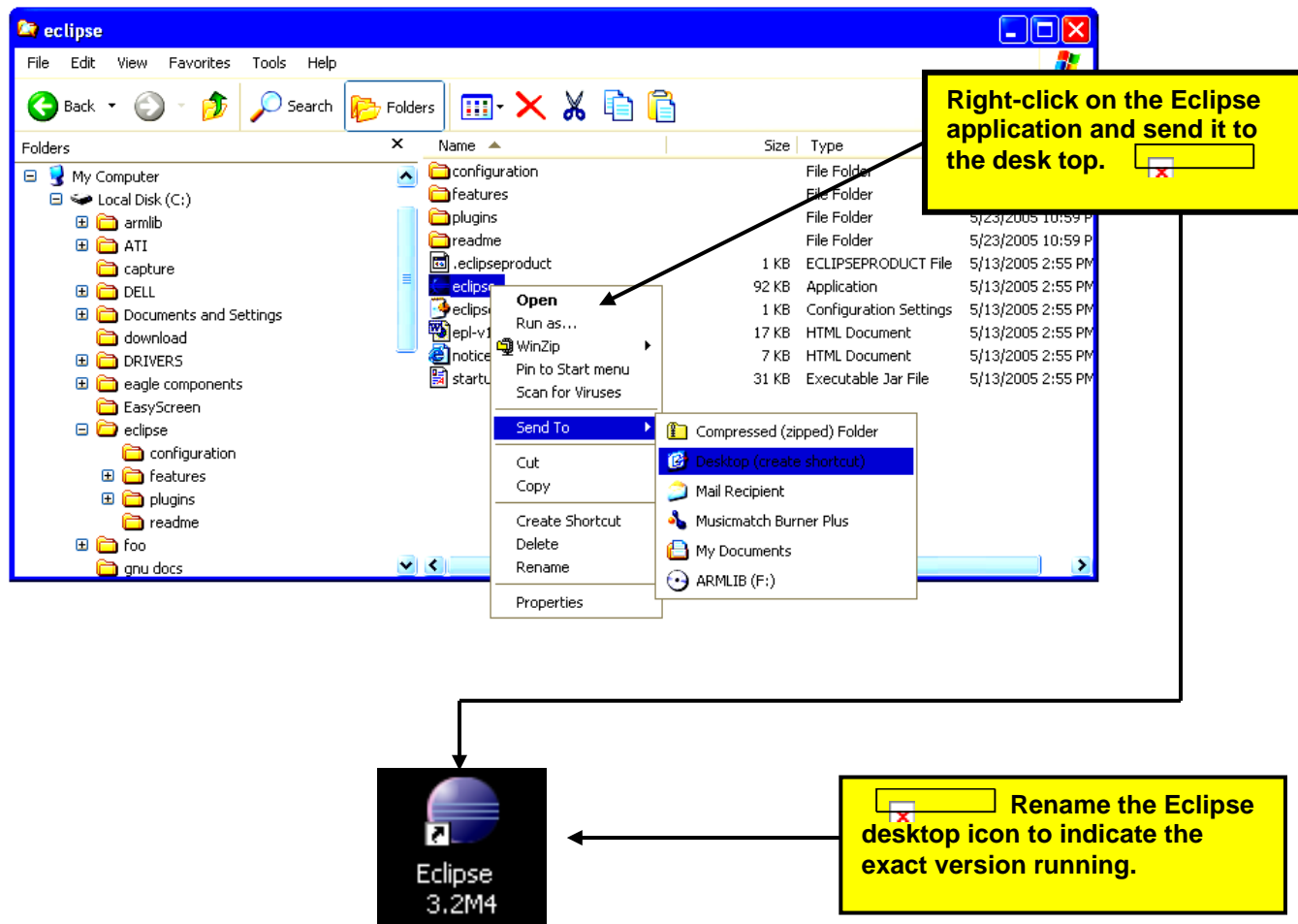
The WinZip Utility will start extracting all the Eclipse files and directories into a c:/eclipse directory on your root drive **C:**



At this point, Eclipse **is already installed** (some things are done when you run it for the first time). The beauty of Eclipse is that there are no entries made into the Windows registry, Eclipse is just an ordinary executable file. Here's what the Eclipse directory looks like at this point.

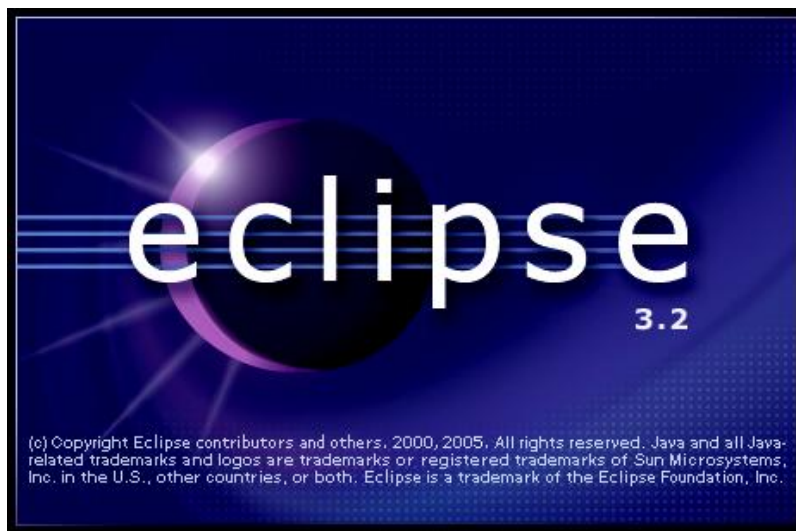


You can create a desktop icon for conveniently starting Eclipse by right-clicking on the Eclipse application above and sending it to the desk top.  
The Eclipse application is the file **eclipse.exe**.

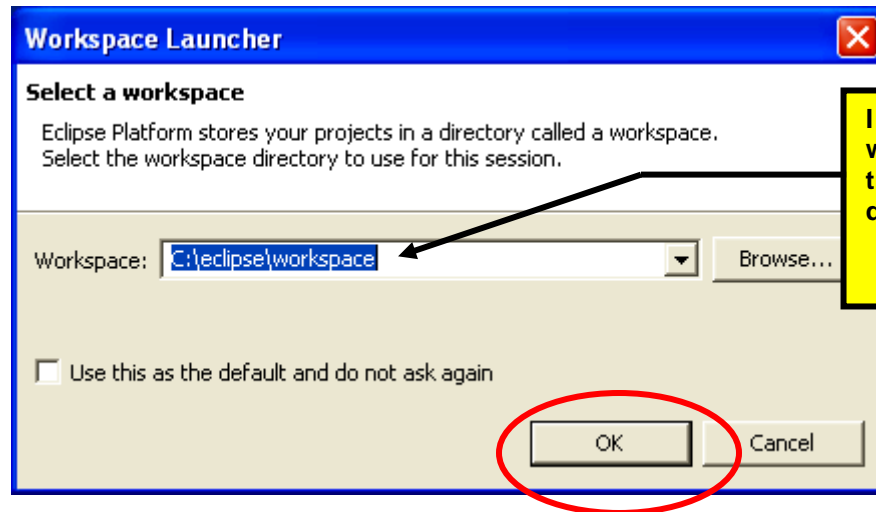


Now is a good time to test that Eclipse will actually run. Click on the desktop icon to start the Eclipse IDE.

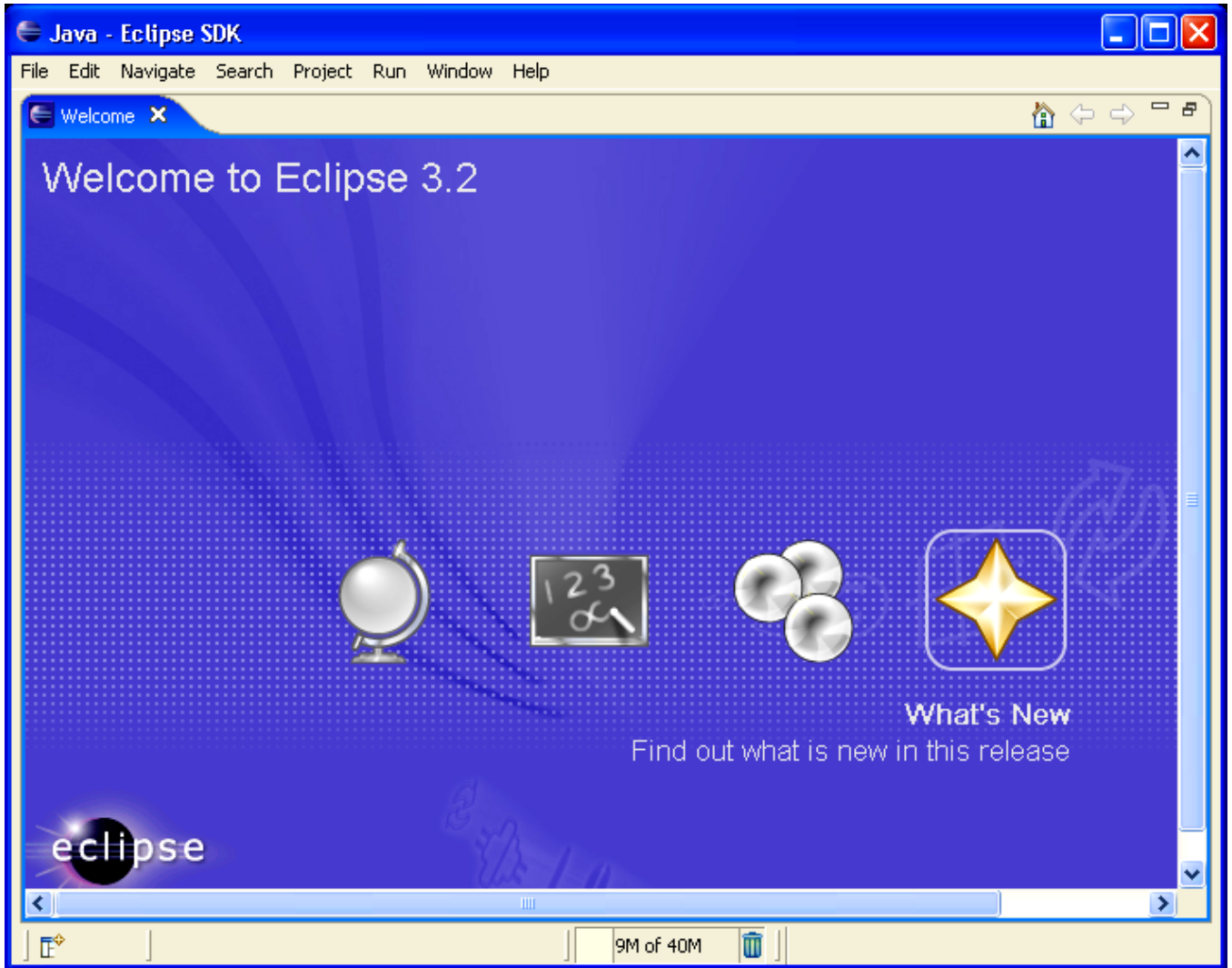
If the Eclipse Splash Screen appears, we have succeeded. If not, chances are that the Java Run Time Environment is not in place. Review and repeat the instructions on installing Java on your computer.



The first order of business is to specify the location of the Workspace. I choose to place the workspace within the Eclipse directory. You are free to place this anywhere; you can have multiple workspaces; here is where you make that choice.



When you click OK, the Eclipse main screen will start up.



If you made it this far, you now have a complete Eclipse system capable of developing JAVA programs for the PC. There are a large number of JAVA books and some really good ones showing how to develop Windows applications with JAVA using the Eclipse toolkit.

Quite a bit of Eclipse was written in JAVA and this shows you just how sophisticated a program can be developed with the Eclipse JAVA IDE.

However, the point of this tutorial is to show how the Eclipse platform with the CDT plug-ins can be used to develop embedded software in C language for the ARM microcomputers.

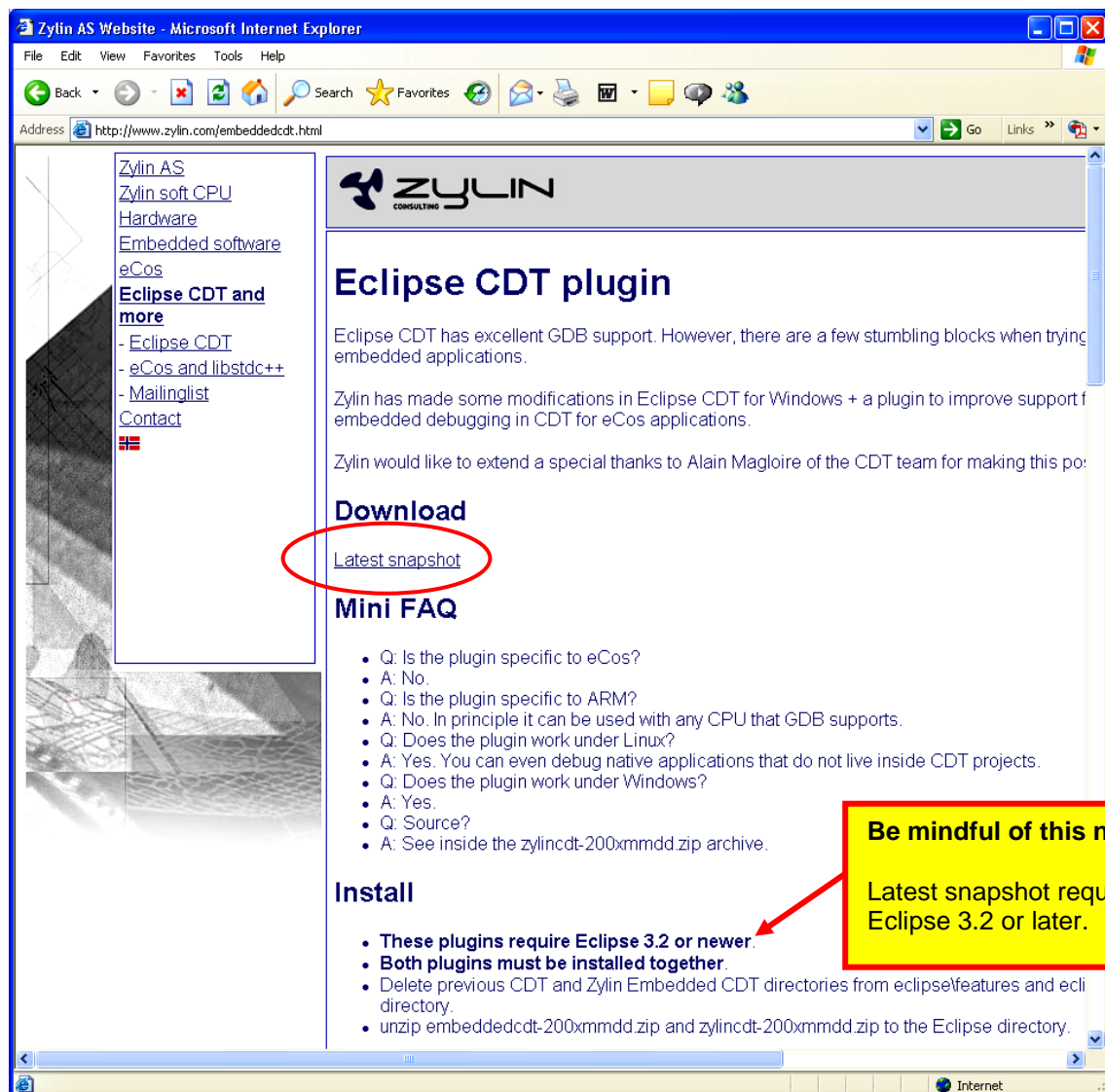
# Eclipse CDT

Eclipse, just by itself, is designed to edit and debug JAVA programs. To equip it to handle C and C++ programs, you need to download the **CDT** (C Development Toolkit) plug-in. The **CDT** plug-in is simply zip files that are unzipped into the Eclipse directory.

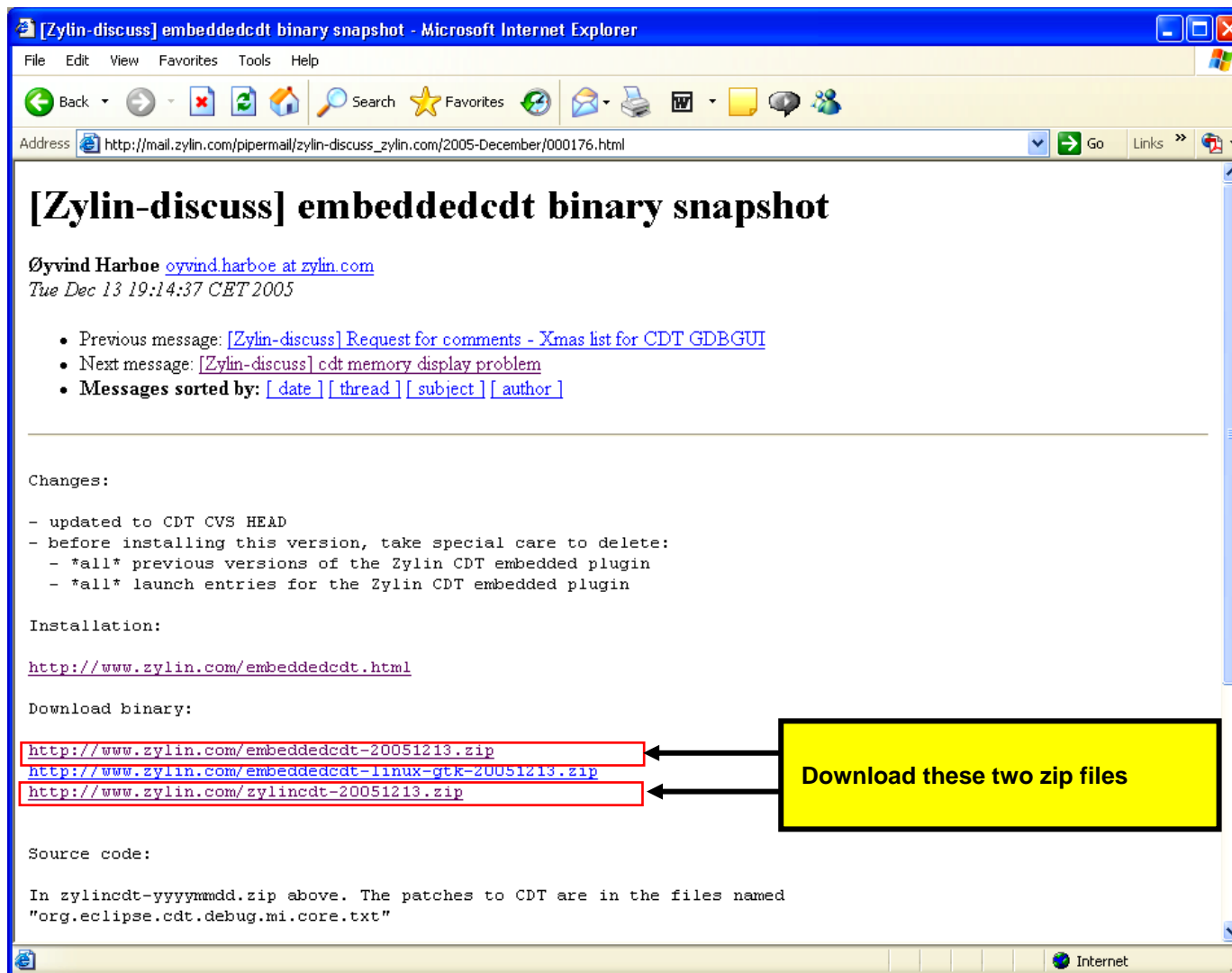
Unfortunately, the **CDT** plug-in from the Eclipse web site has some problems debugging applications in a cross-development environment (e.g. where the target is a circuit board with an ARM microprocessor and a JTAG interface). To the rescue is the Norwegian engineering company Zylin who have developed a special custom version of **CDT** that properly interfaces the **GDB** debugger to a remote target. The Zylin version of **CDT** was developed with the cooperation of the **CDT** Development Team and is essentially a copy of the latest version of **CDT** with the special debug modifications. The open source community owes a debt of thanks to Øyvind Harboe and his associates at Zylin.

To download the Zylin version of the CDT plug-in, click on the following link:

<http://www.zylin.com/embeddedcdt.html>



Click on “**Latest Snapshot**” to see the two zip files you need to download.



Therefore, for this tutorial, we will be using the Eclipse Stable Release 3.2M4 in conjunction with the latest Zylin release of CDT, dated December 13, 2005.

Download the following two files from the Zylin web site.

<http://www.zylin.com/embeddedcdt-20051213.zip>

<http://www.zylin.com/zylincdt-20051213.zip>

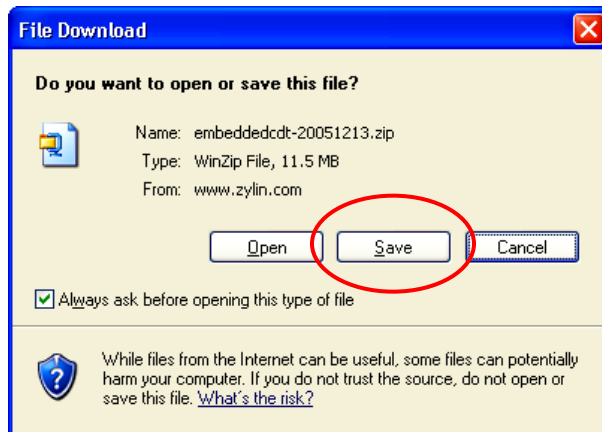


It is incumbent on the reader to do some research to **be sure that the Zylin “latest snapshot” is fully compatible with the Eclipse version you just downloaded.** A good suggestion is to go through the Zylin web site's message archives and from that determine which versions of Eclipse and Zylin CDT are compatible. A message in the January archive notes:

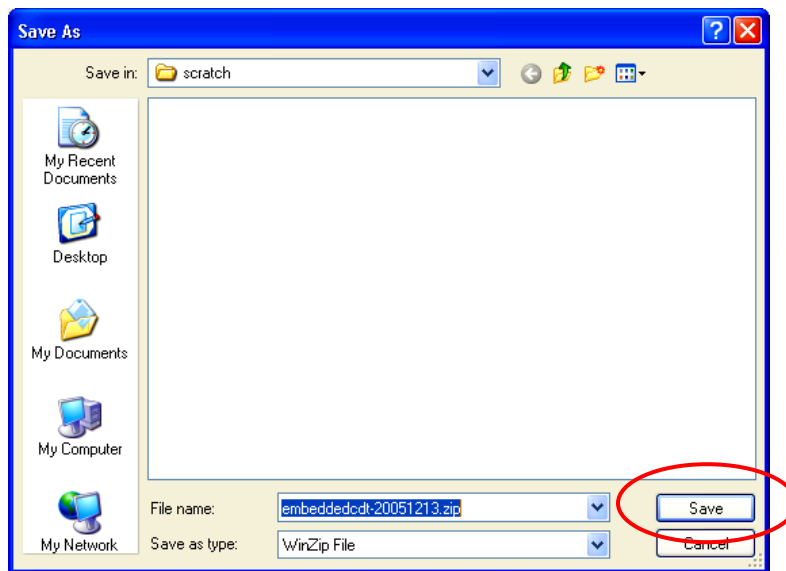
- ***NB! Requires >= Eclipse 3.2 M4***

First, click on <http://www.zylin.com/embeddedcdt-20051213.zip> to download.

Then click on “**Save**” in the File Download window.



Select the temporary **c:\scratch** directory as the target of the download and click “**Save**.”

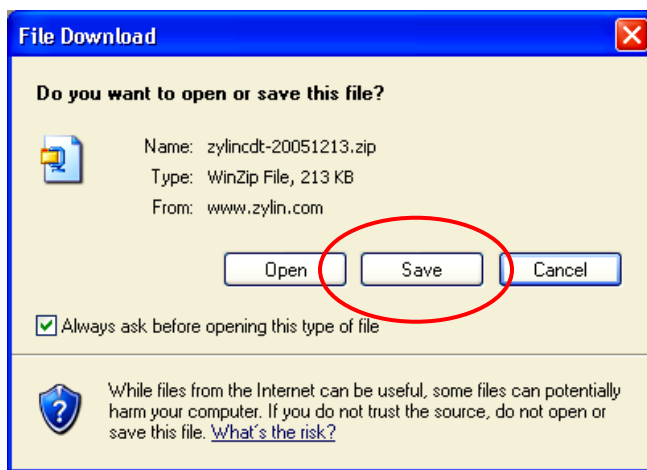


The first Zylin CDT will download into **c:\scratch** folder. file is an 11.6 Mb download.

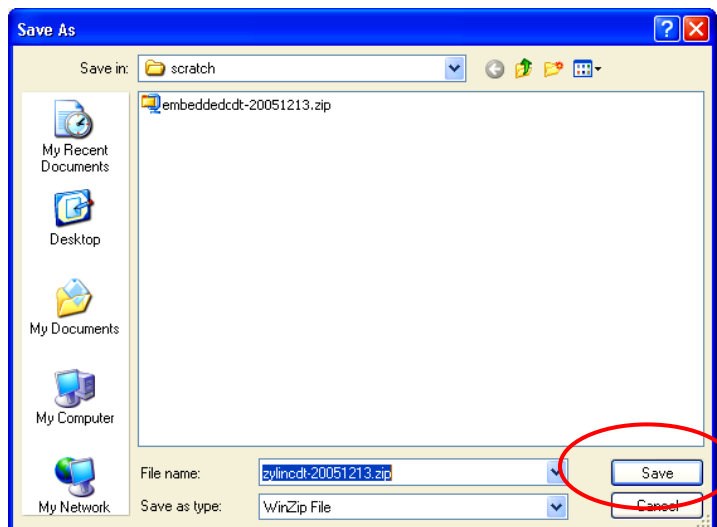


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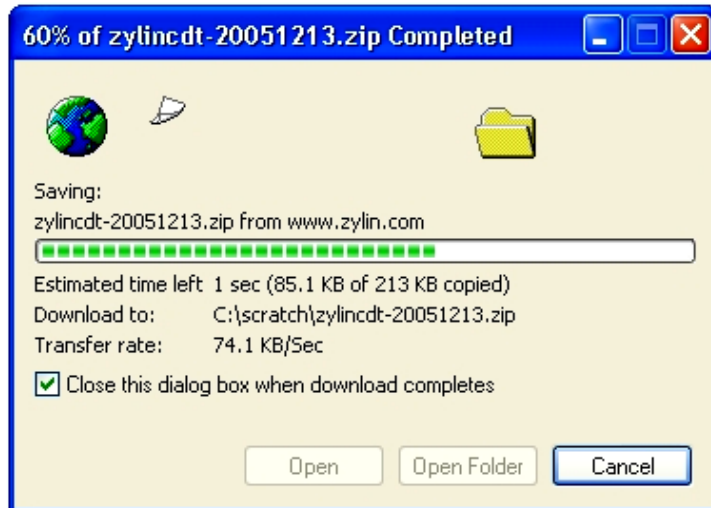
Next, click on <http://www.zylin.com/zylincdt-20051213.zip> to download. Then click on **"Save"** in the File Download window.



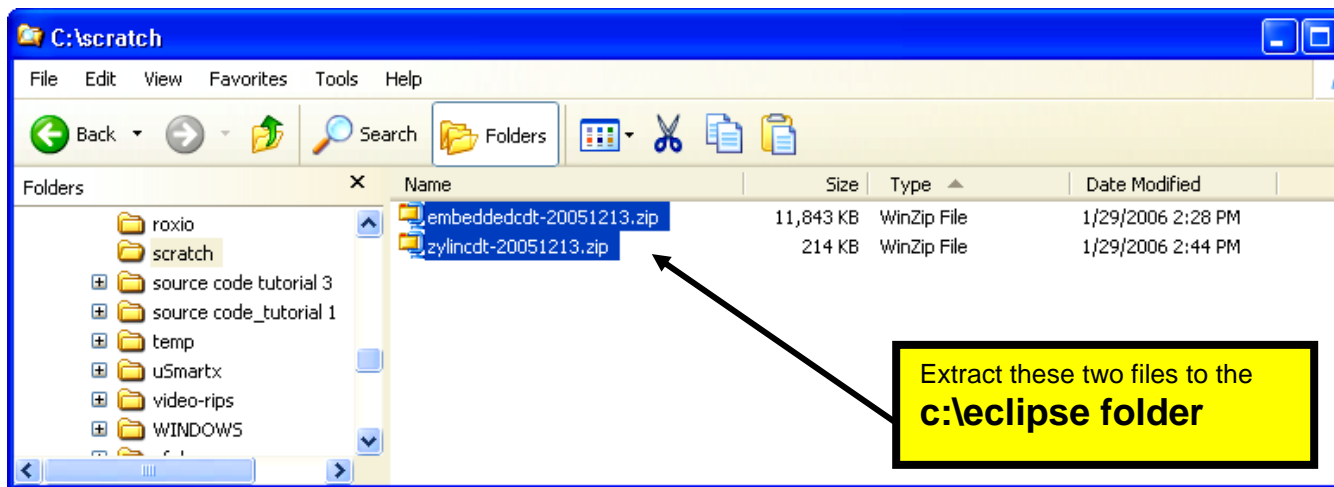
Select the temporary **c:\scratch** directory as the target of the download. Then click on **"Save"** in the "Save As" window.



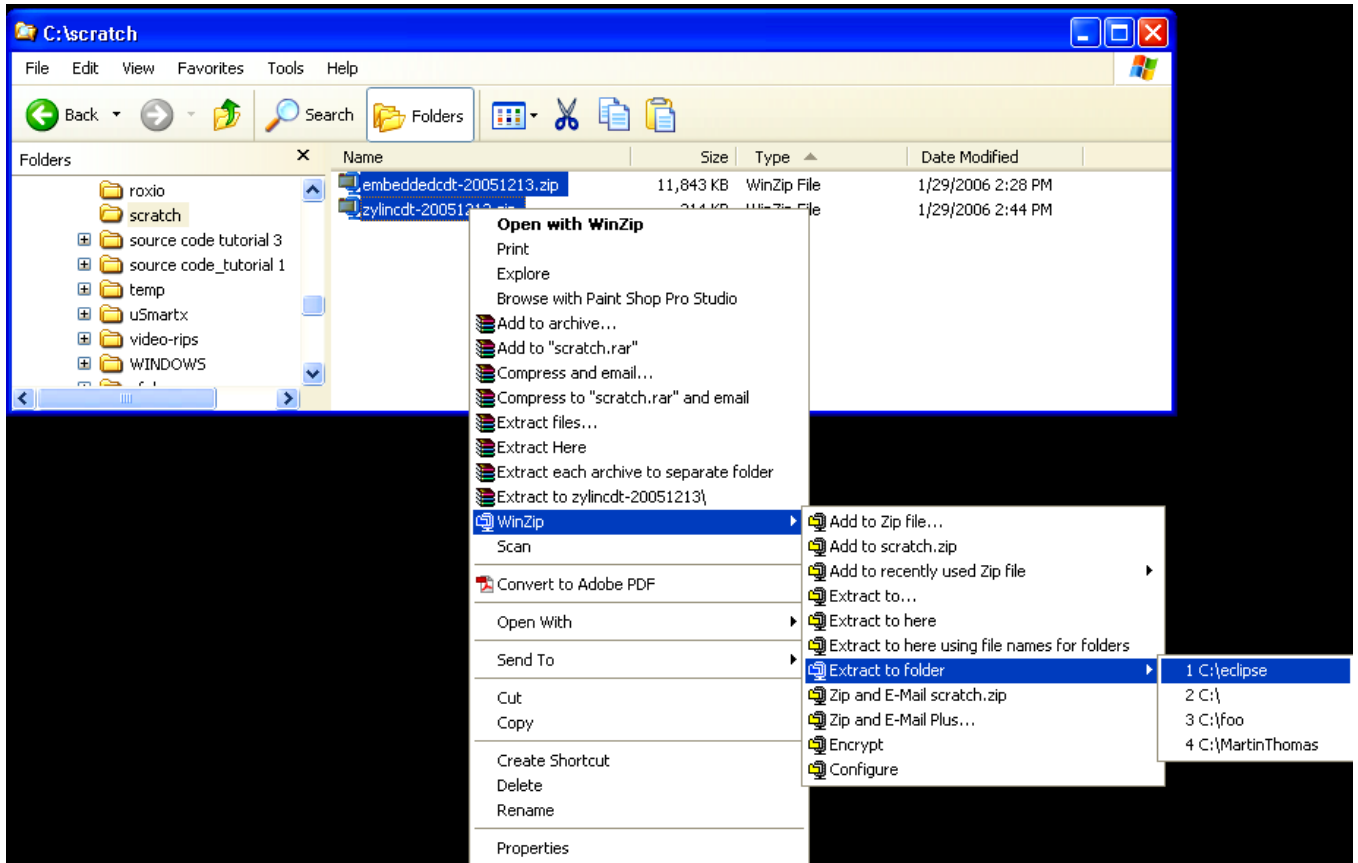
The second Zylinc CDT zip file will download into the **c:\scratch** folder. This file is a shorter file, only 213 Kb.



Both Zylin **CDT** download files are now in the **c:\scratch** folder.



Select both Zylin **CDT** files in the **c:\scratch** folder using Windows Explorer and use WinZip to extract them to the **c:\eclipse** folder.



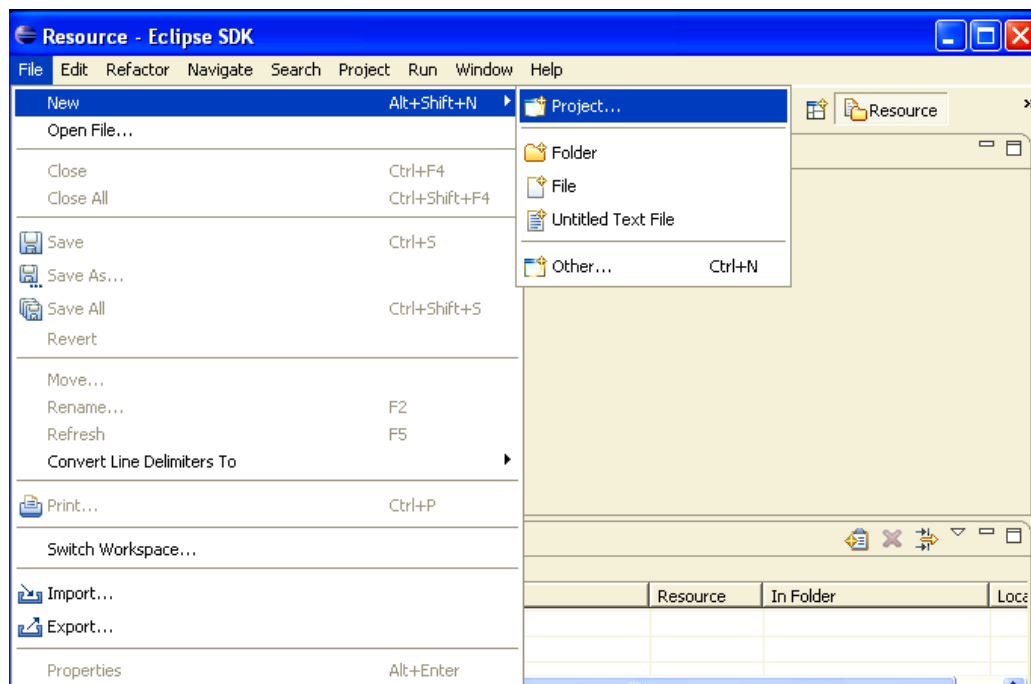
Let's take a moment to note how marvelously simple Eclipse is to install and update with plug-ins.

Eclipse is itself a simple executable; it makes no entries into the Windows registry. Plug-ins are simple zip files that are extracted into the c:\eclipse folder – there's nothing else to do. Bravo to the Eclipse team for keeping these things simple!

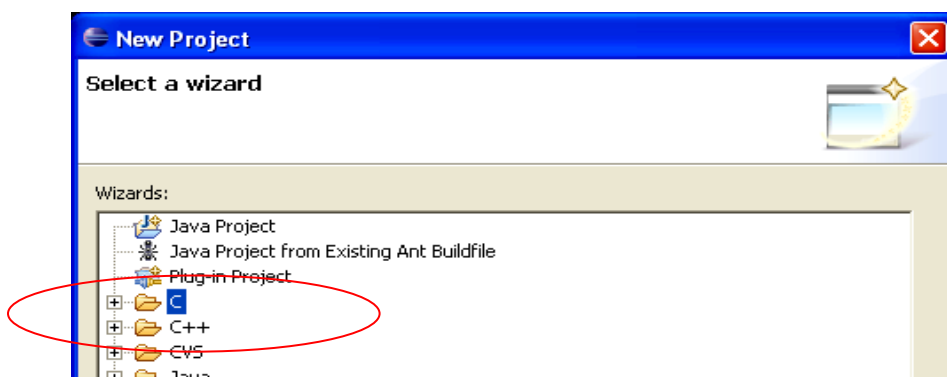
To verify that Eclipse had the **CDT** installed properly, start Eclipse by clicking on the desktop icon.



When Eclipse starts, click on **"File – New - Project..."**



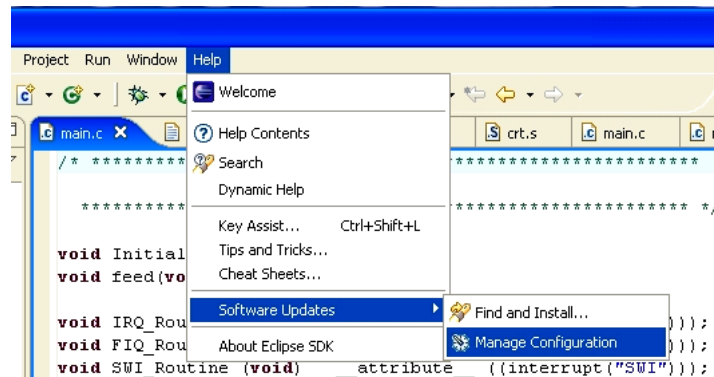
When the New Project window appears, check if C and C++ appear as potential projects. If this is true, Eclipse CDT has been installed properly.



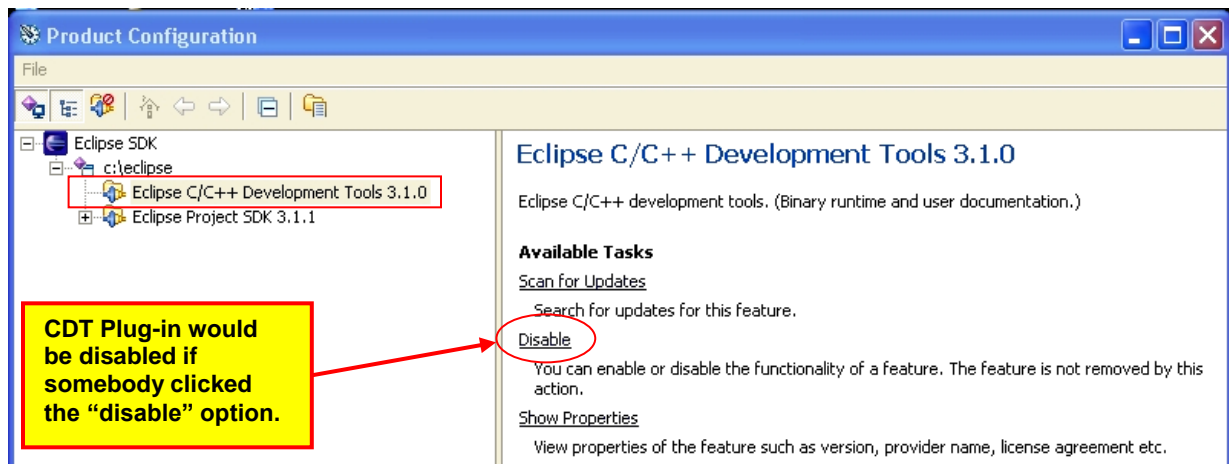




If you don't see the C and C++ listed, here's what might have happened. It's possible to disable the CDT plug-in. To see where this may be done, click "**Help – Software Updates – Manage Configuration**".



If you click on **Eclipse C/C++ Development Tools 3.1.0**, you will see an option to **disable** the CDT plug-in. If this has been disabled, use these menus to reverse this situation.



# CYGWIN GNU Toolset for Windows

The GNU toolset is an open-source implementation of a universal compiler suite; it provides C, C++, ADA, FORTRAN, JAVA, and Objective C. All these language compilers can be targeted to most of the modern microcomputer platforms (such as the ARM 32-bit RISC microcontrollers) as well as the ubiquitous Intel/Microsoft PC platforms. By the way, GNU stands for “GNU, not Unix”, really – I’m serious!

Unfortunately for all of us that have desktop Intel/Microsoft PC platforms, the GNU toolset was originally developed and implemented for the GNU operating system. To the rescue came Cygwin, a company that created a set of Windows dynamic link libraries that enable the GNU compiler toolset to run on a Windows platform. If you install the GNU compiler toolset using the Cygwin system, you can literally open up a DOS command window on your screen and type in a DOS command like this:

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>arm-elf-gcc -g -c main.c
```

The above will compile the source file **main.c** into an object file **main.o** for the ARM microcontroller architecture. In other words, if you install the Cygwin GNU toolset properly, you can forget that the GNU compiler system is GNU/Linux-based.

Normally, the Cygwin installation gives you a compiler toolset whose target architecture is the Windows/Intel PC platform. It does not include a compiler toolset for the ARM microprocessors, the MIPS microprocessors, and so forth.

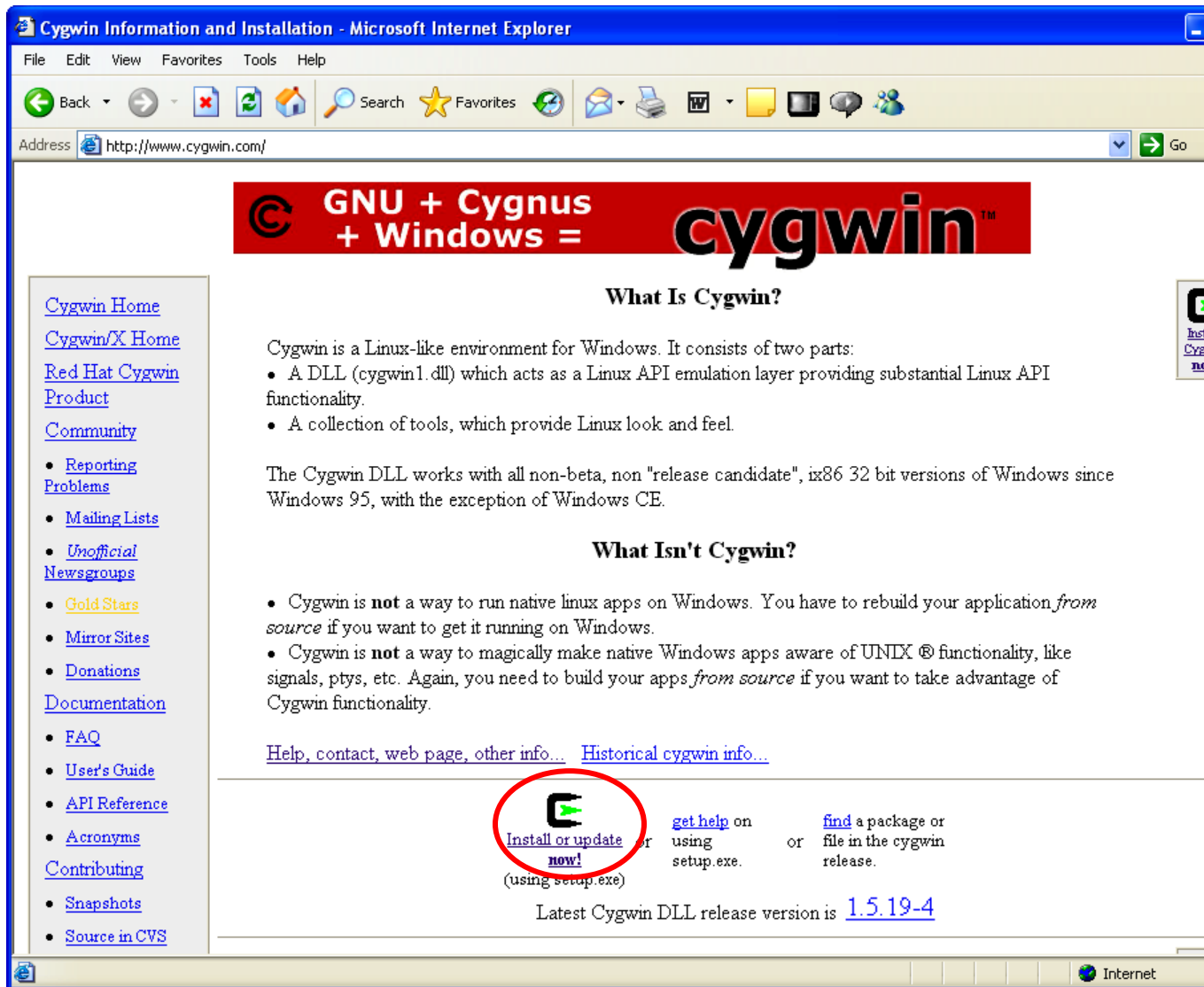
It is possible to build a compiler toolset for the ARM processors using the generic Cygwin GNU toolkit. In his book “**Embedded System Design on a Shoestring**”, Lewin A.R.W. Edwards gives detailed instructions on just how to do that. Fortunately, there are quite a few pre-built tool chains on the internet that simplify the process. One such tool chain is GNUARM which gives you a complete set of ARM compilers, assemblers and linkers. This will be done in the next section of this tutorial.

It’s worth mentioning that the GNUARM tool chain doesn’t include the crucial MAKE utility, it’s in the Cygwin tool kit we’re about to install. This is why you have to add two path specifications to your Windows environment; one for the **c:/cygwin/bin** folder and one for the **c:/programfiles/gnuarm/bin**.

The Cygwin site that has the GNU toolset for Windows is:

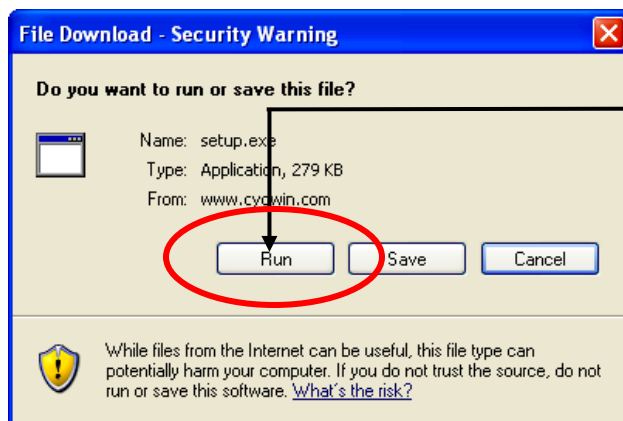
[www.cygwin.com](http://www.cygwin.com)

The Cygwin web site opens as follows:



The first thing to do is to click on the install icon:

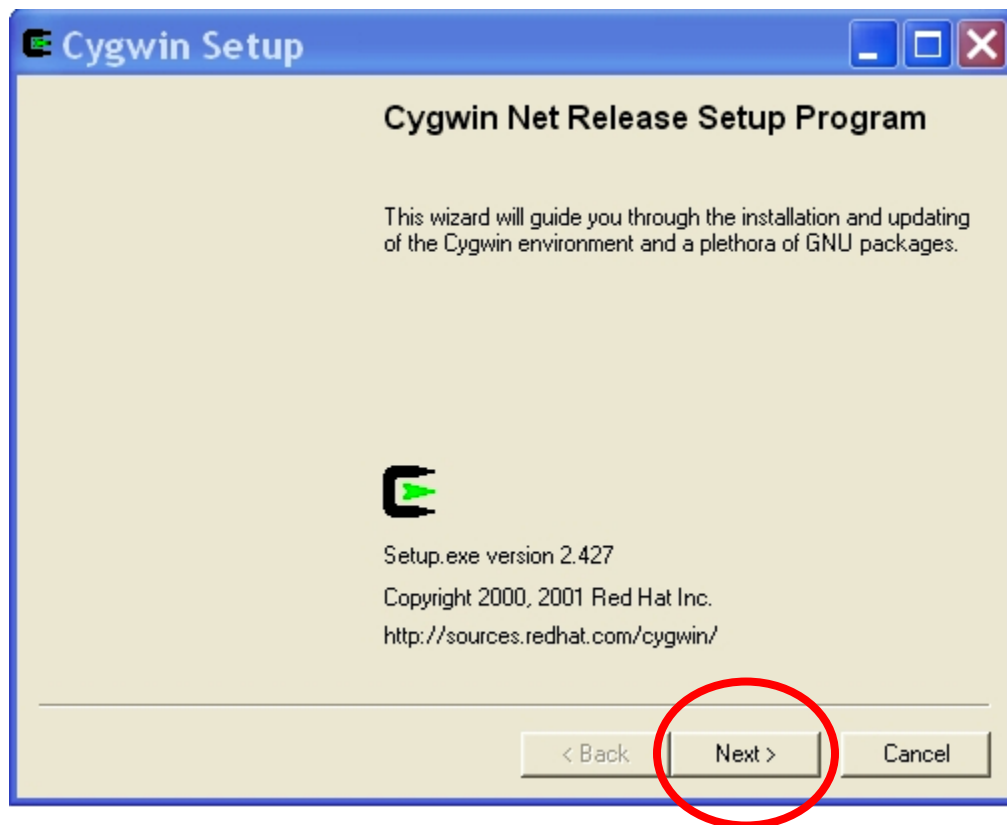
We need to download the setup executable and automatically run it.



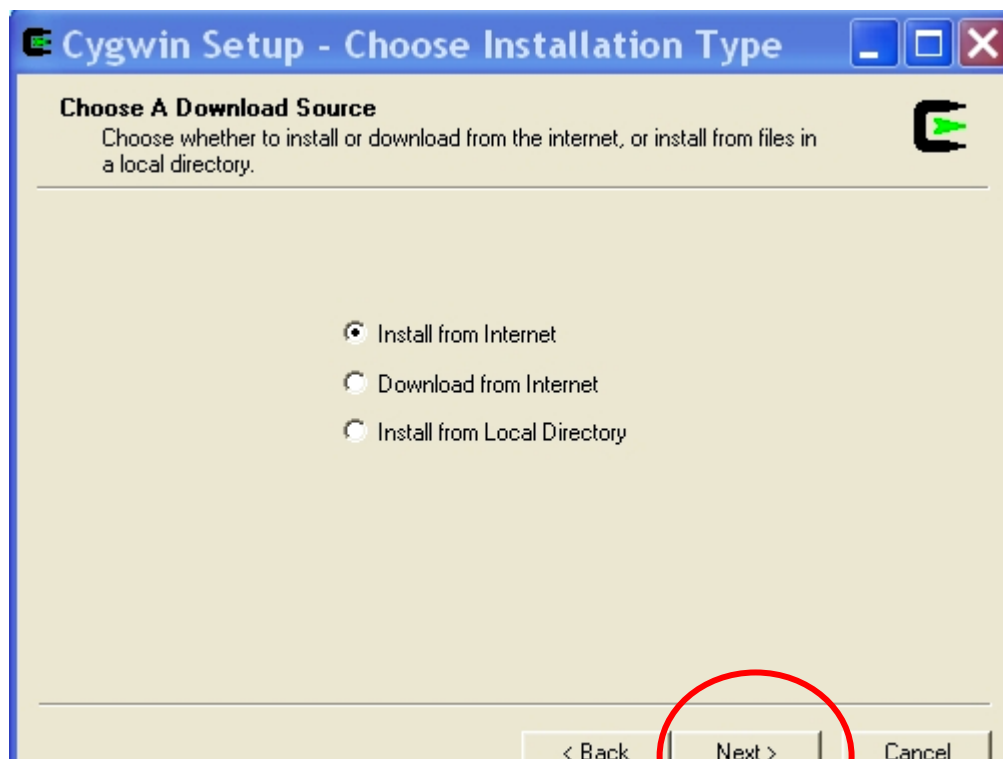
Click on "Run" to download and run the Cygwin setup program.



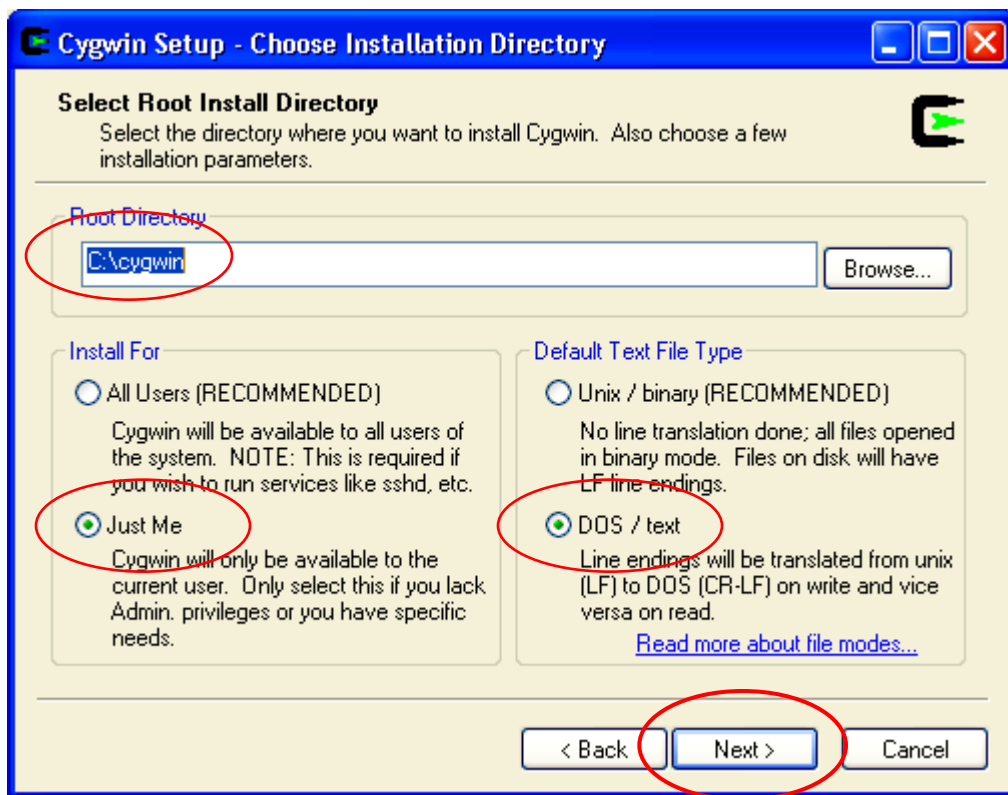
Now the Cygwin wizard will start up. Select **"Next"** to continue.



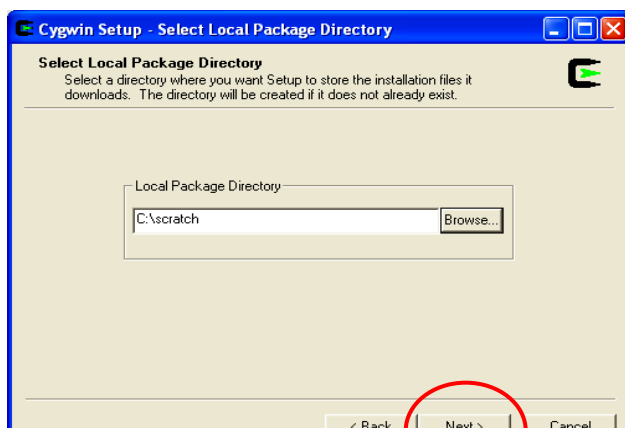
Choose **"Install from Internet"** and then click **"Next."**



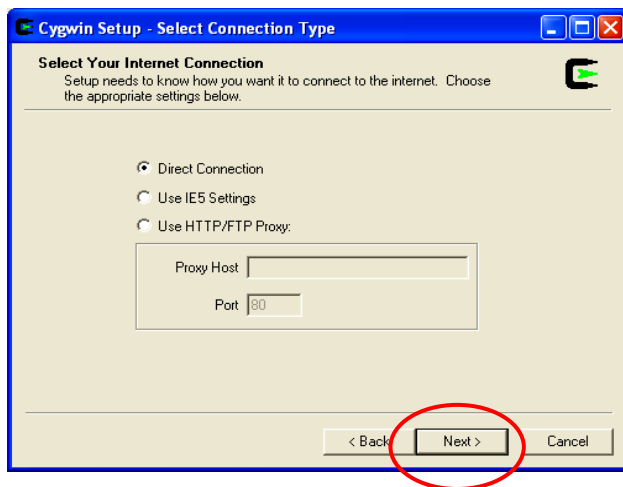
In the next screen below, take the default directory **c:/Cygwin**. Also, check “**Just Me**” and “**DOS / text**”. Click “**Next**” to continue.



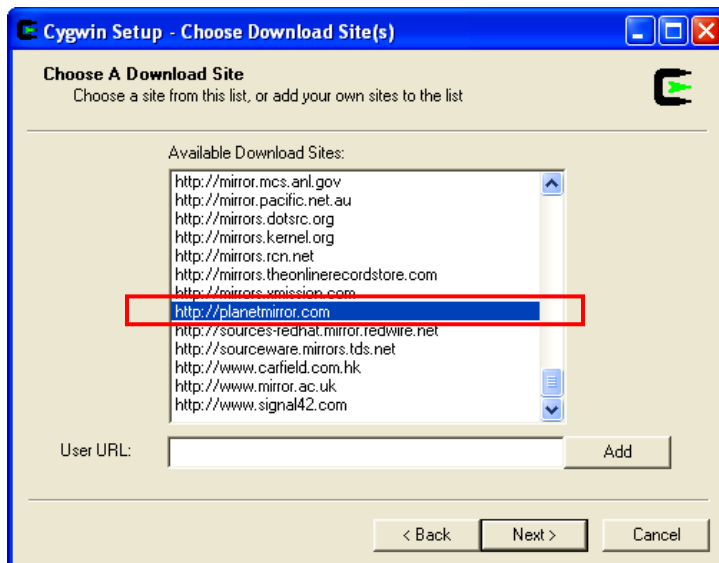
Now we specify a directory where all the downloaded components go, our **c:/scratch** folder will do just fine.



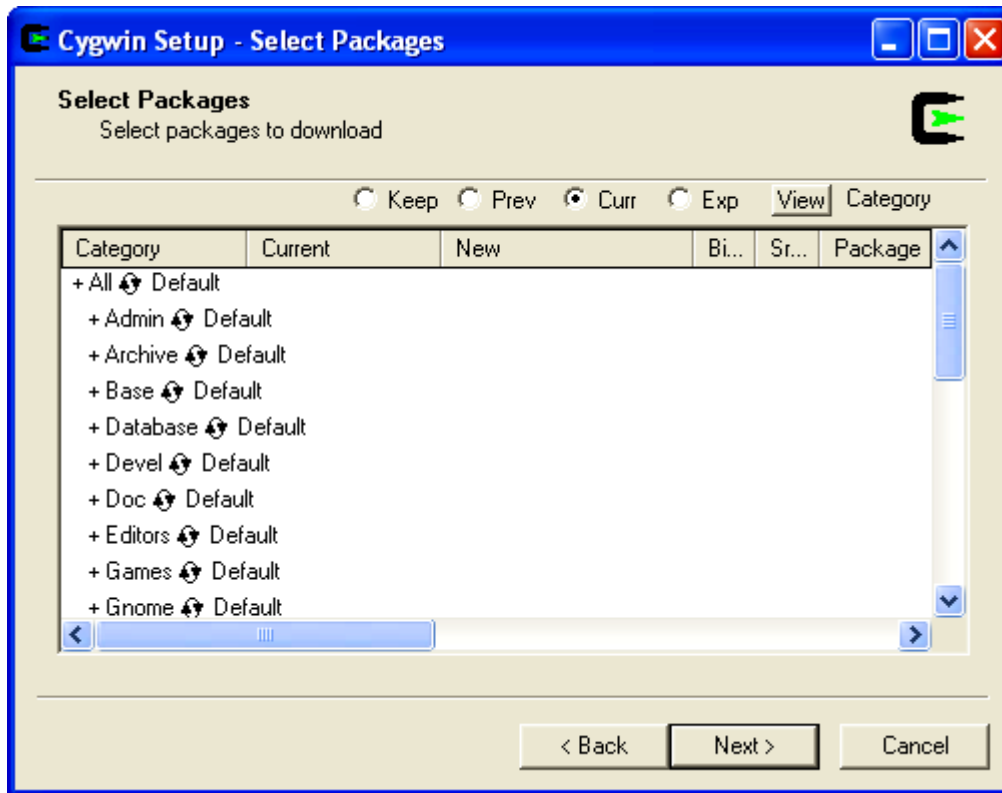
Since I have a high speed internet connection, I always select “**Direct Connection.**” Click “**Next**” to continue.



Now the Cygwin Installer presents you with a list of mirror sites that can deliver the Cygwin GNU Toolkit. It's a bit of a mystery which one to choose; I picked <http://planetmirror.com> because it sounds cool. You may have to experiment to find one that downloads the fastest. Click “**Next**” to continue.



Cygwin will download a few bits for a couple of seconds and then display this “**Select Packages**” list allowing you to tailor exactly what is included in the down load.



The screen above allows you to specify what GNU packages you wish to install.

Basically, we want an installation that will allow us to compile for the Windows XP / Intel platform. This will allow us to use Eclipse to build Windows applications (not covered in this document). Remember that we'll be installing the GNUARM suite of compilers, linkers etc. for the ARM processor family shortly.

If you look at the Cygwin “Select Packages” screen below, you'll see the following line.

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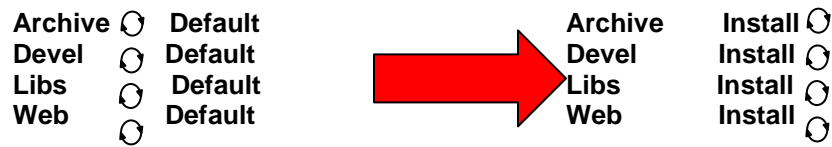
You must click on the little circle with the two arrowheads until the line changes to this:

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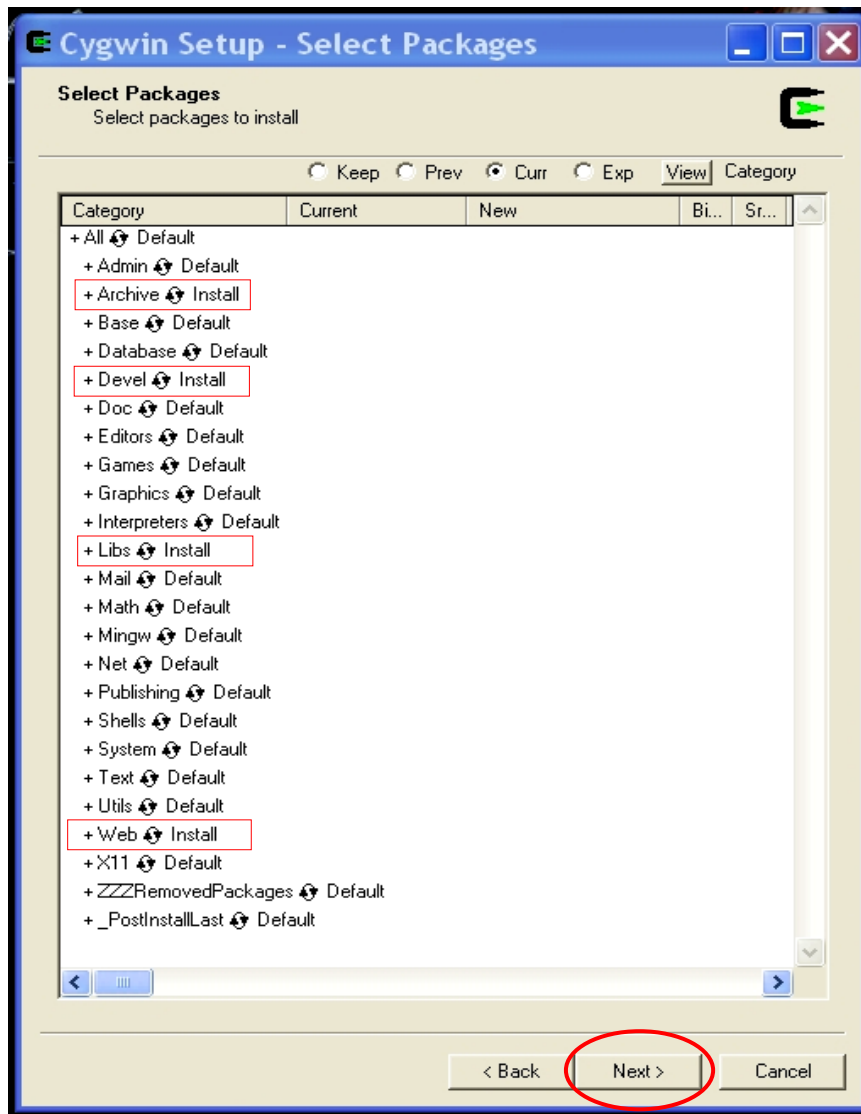


This will force installation of the default GNU compiler suite for Windows/Intel targets.  
Here's the **"Select Packages"** screen before clicking on the circle with arrowheads.

The following four packages must be selected and changed from “default” to “install.”

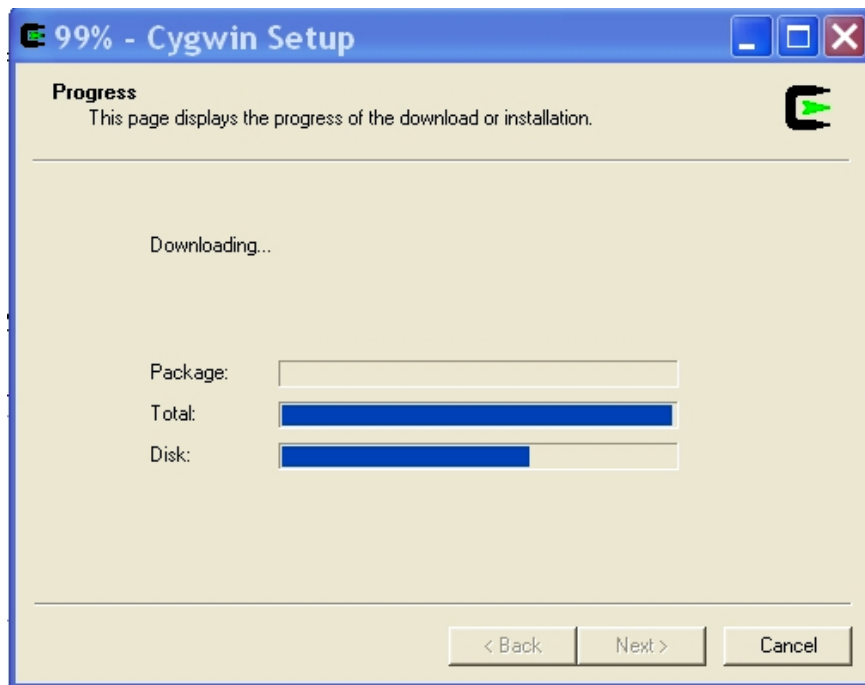


Click on the little circle with the arrowheads until you change the four packages listed above from “default” to “install.” You should see the screen displayed directly below. Note that the Archive, Devel, Libs and Web components are selected for “install”. Everything else is left as “default.”

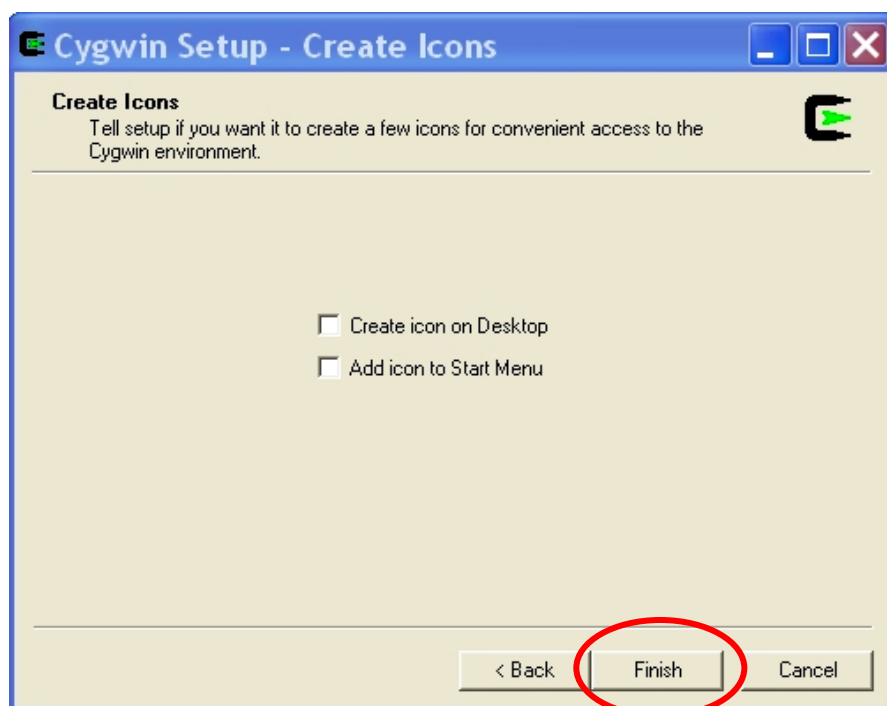


Click “Next” to start the download.

Now the Cygwin will start downloading. This creates a huge 700 Megabyte directory on your hard drive and takes 30 minutes to download and install using a cable modem.



When the installation completes, Cygwin will ask you if you want any desktop icons and start menu entries set up. Say “**No**” to both. These icons allow you to bring up the BASH shell emulator (like the command prompt window in Windows XP). This would allow you do some Linux operations, but this capability is not necessary for our purposes here. Click on “**Finish**” to complete the installation.



Now the Cygwin installation manager completes and shows the following result.



The directory **c:\cygwin\bin** must be added to the **Windows XP** path environment variable. This allows Eclipse to easily find the Make utility, etc.

Using the **Start Menu**, go to the **Control Panel** and click on the "**System**" icon.

Then click on the "**Advanced**" tab and select the "**Environment Variables**" icon. Highlight the "**Path**" line and hit the "**Edit**" button. Add the addition to the path as shown in the dialog box shown below (don't forget the semicolon separator). The Cygwin FAQ advises putting this path specification before all the others.



We are now finished with the CYGWIN installation. It runs silently in the background and you should never have to think about it again.

# Downloading the GNUARM Compiler Suite

At this point, we have all the GNU tools needed to compile and link software for Windows/Intel computers. It is possible to use all this to build a custom GNU compiler suite for the ARM processor family. The very informative book “**Embedded System Design on a Shoestring**” by Lewin A.R.W. Edwards ©2003 describes how to do this and it is rather involved.

Fortunately, Rick Collins, Pablo Bleyer Kocik and the people at **gnuarm.com** have come to the rescue with pre-built GNU compiler suite for the ARM processors. Just download it with the included installer and you’re ready to go.

Click on the following link to download the GNUARM package.

[www.gnuarm.com](http://www.gnuarm.com)

The GNUARM web site will display and you should click on the “Files” tab.



The correct package to download is **Binaries** **Cygwin** – **GCC- 4.0.1-c-c++ toolchain**

## Binaries

### GCC-3.3 toolchain

#### Mac OS X

binutils-2.14, gcc-3.3.2-c-c++, newlib-1.12.0, gdb-6.0, PKG TGZ [35.2MB]

### GCC-3.4 toolchain

#### Cygwin

binutils-2.15, gcc-3.4.3-c-c++-java, newlib-1.12.0, insight-6.1, setup.exe [17.0MB]

#### GNU/Linux (x86)

binutils-2.15, gcc-3.4.3-c-c++-java, newlib-1.12.0, insight-6.1, TAR BZ2 [56.0MB]

### GCC-4.0 toolchain

#### Cygwin

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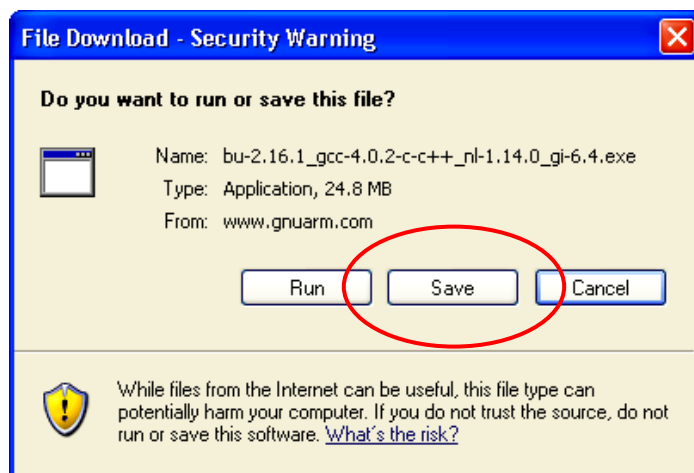
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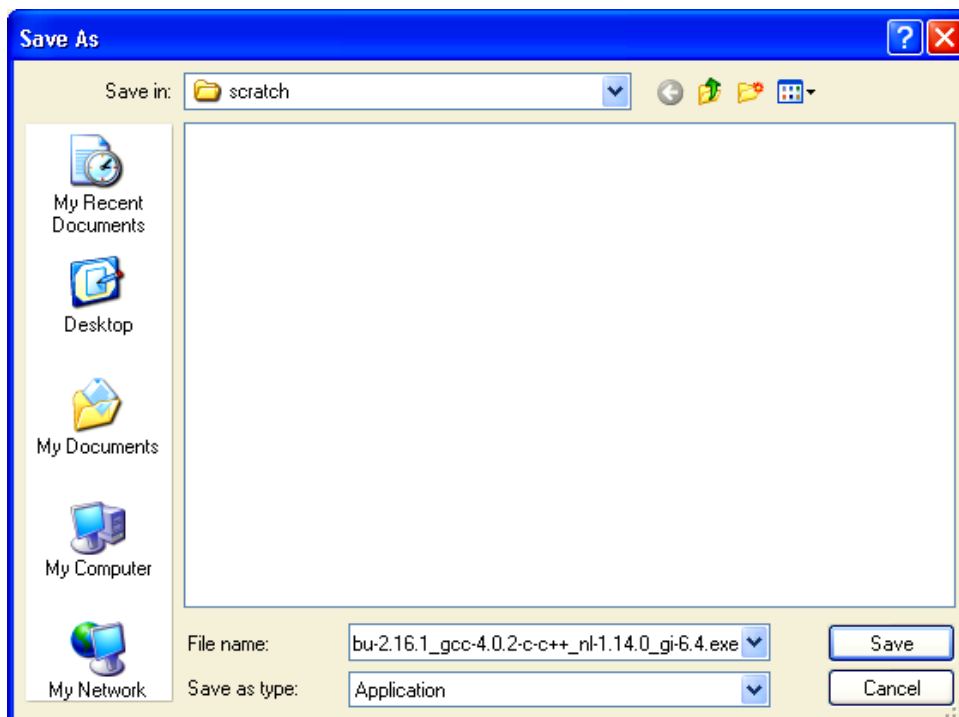
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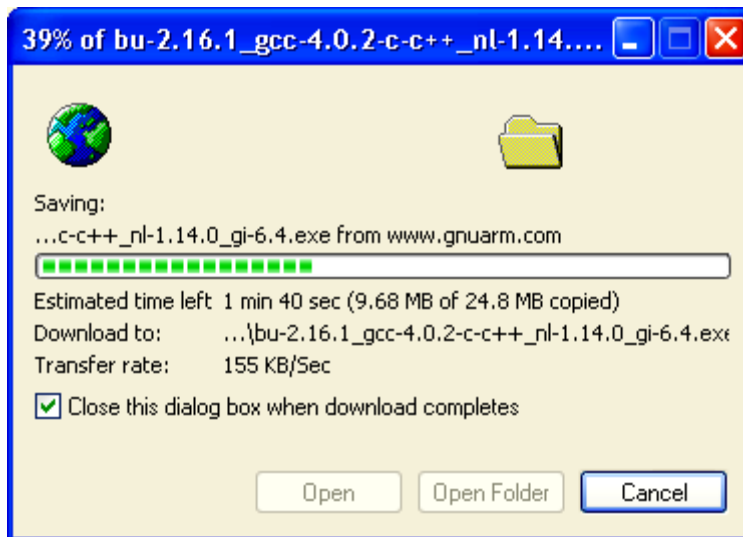
Just like all the other downloads we've done, we direct this one to our empty download directory on the hard drive. Here we click "**Save**" and then specify the download destination.



Once again, our **c:/scratch** directory will suffice. As you can see, this download has a very long name!  
Click "**Save**" to start the download.

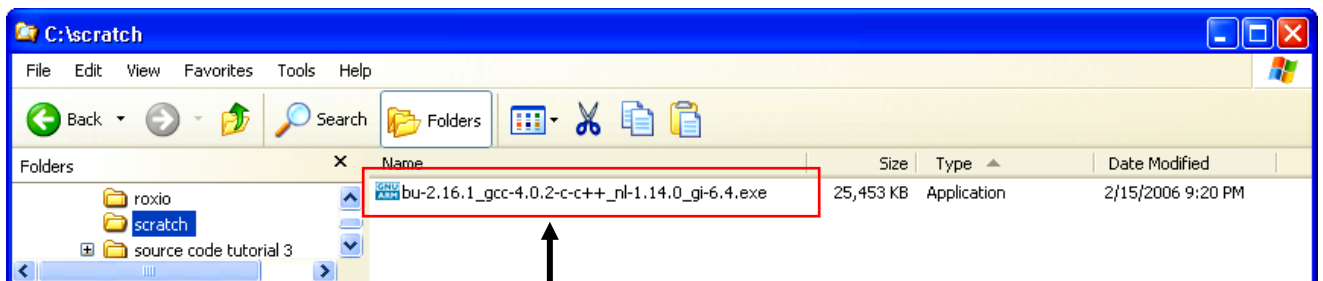


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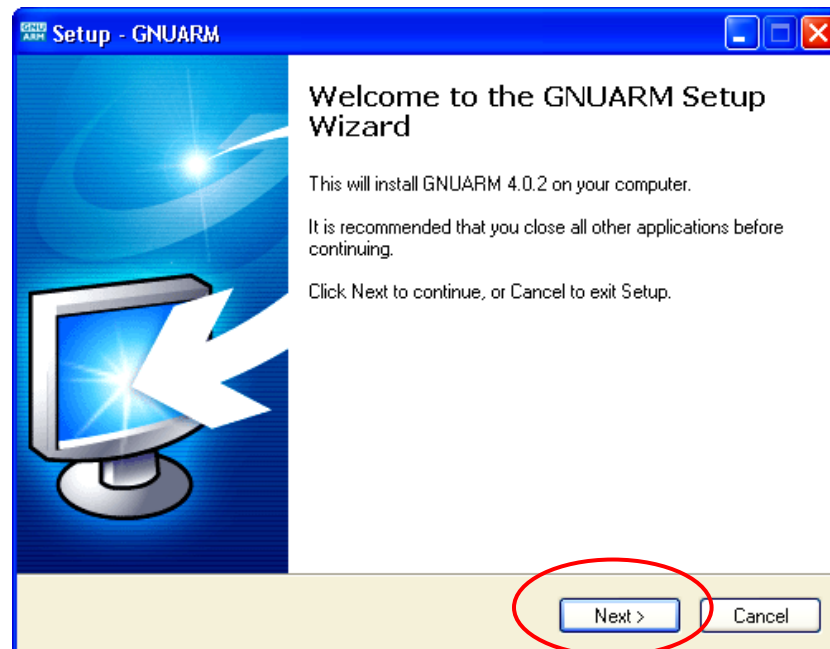
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Click on that filename to start the installer.

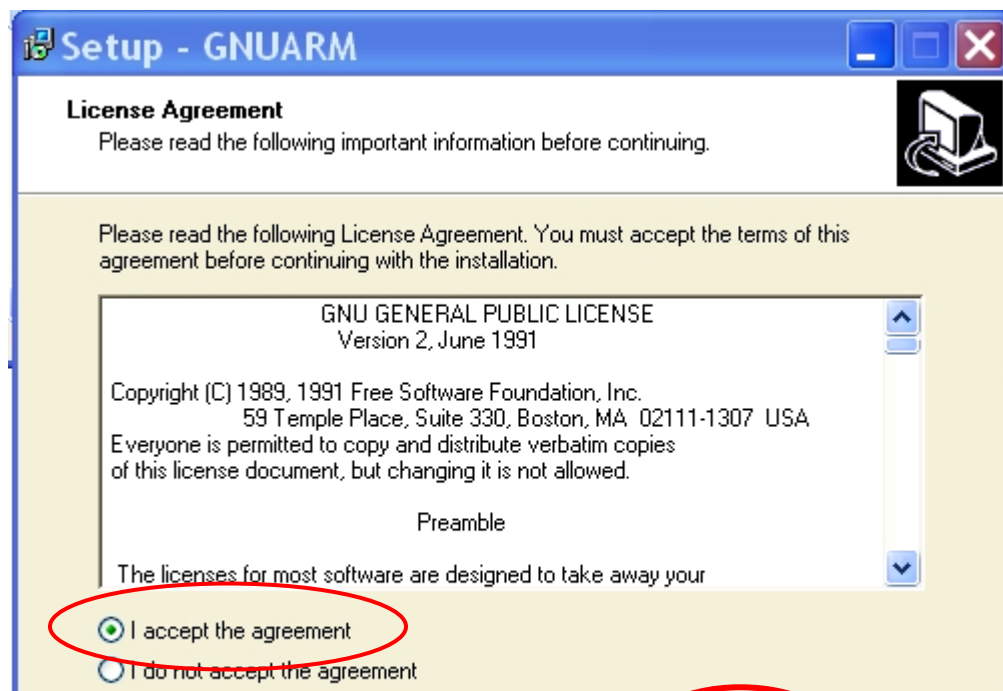


Click on this application to start the GNUARM installer

The GNUARM installer will now start. Click **“Next”** to continue.



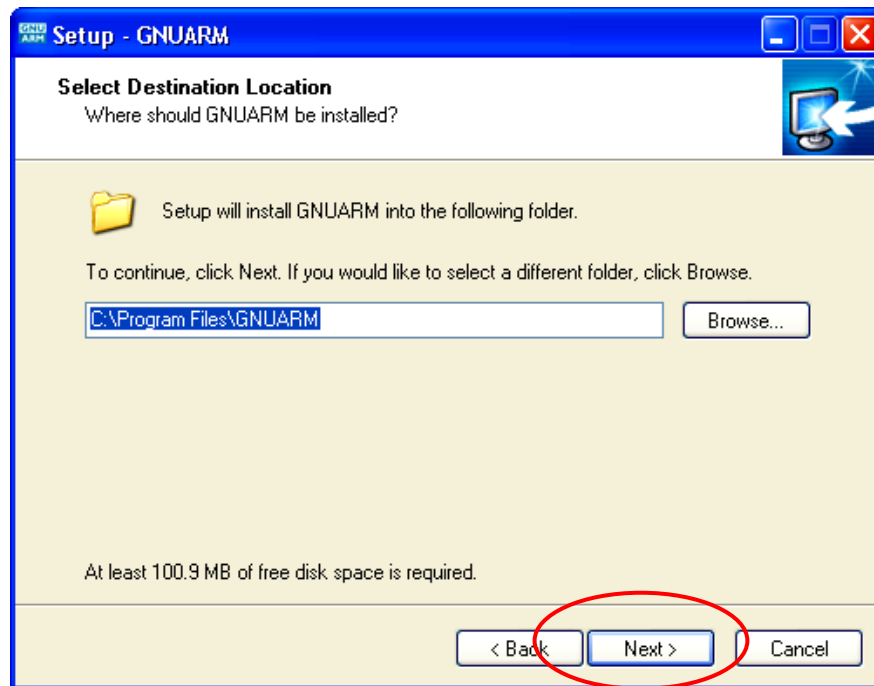
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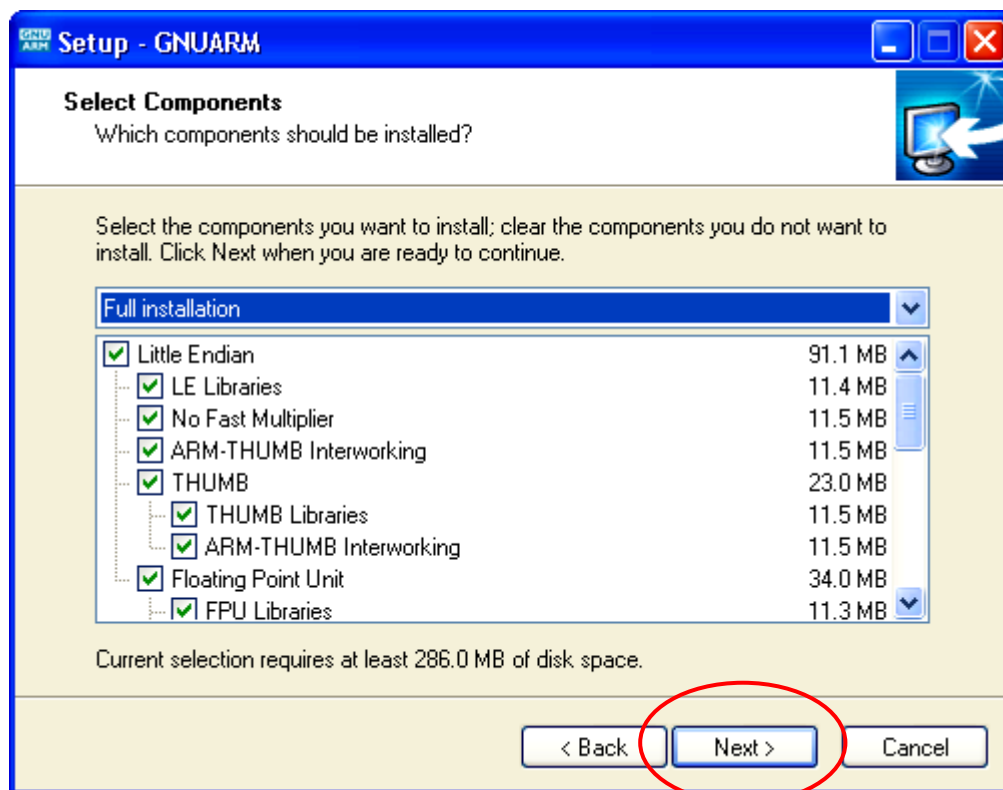




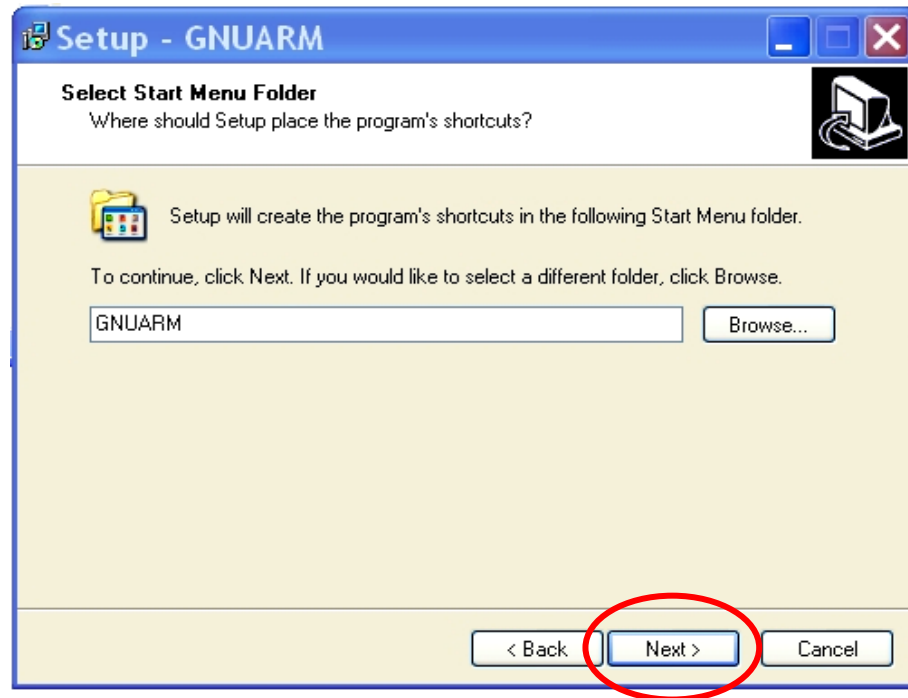
We'll take the default and let it install into the **"Program Files"** directory. Click **"Next"** to continue.



We'll also take the defaults on the "Select Components" window. Click **"Next"** to continue.

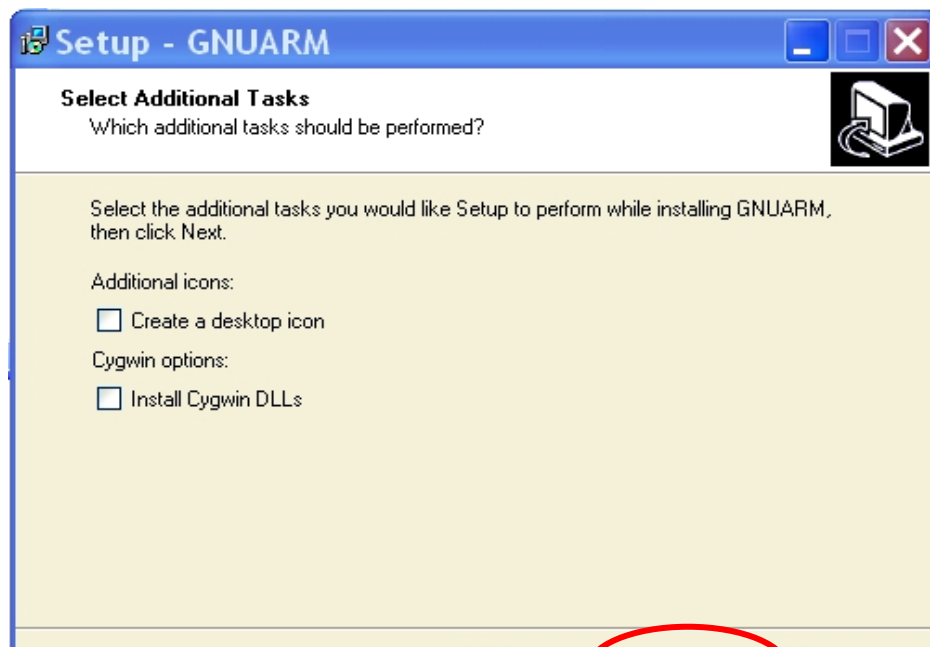


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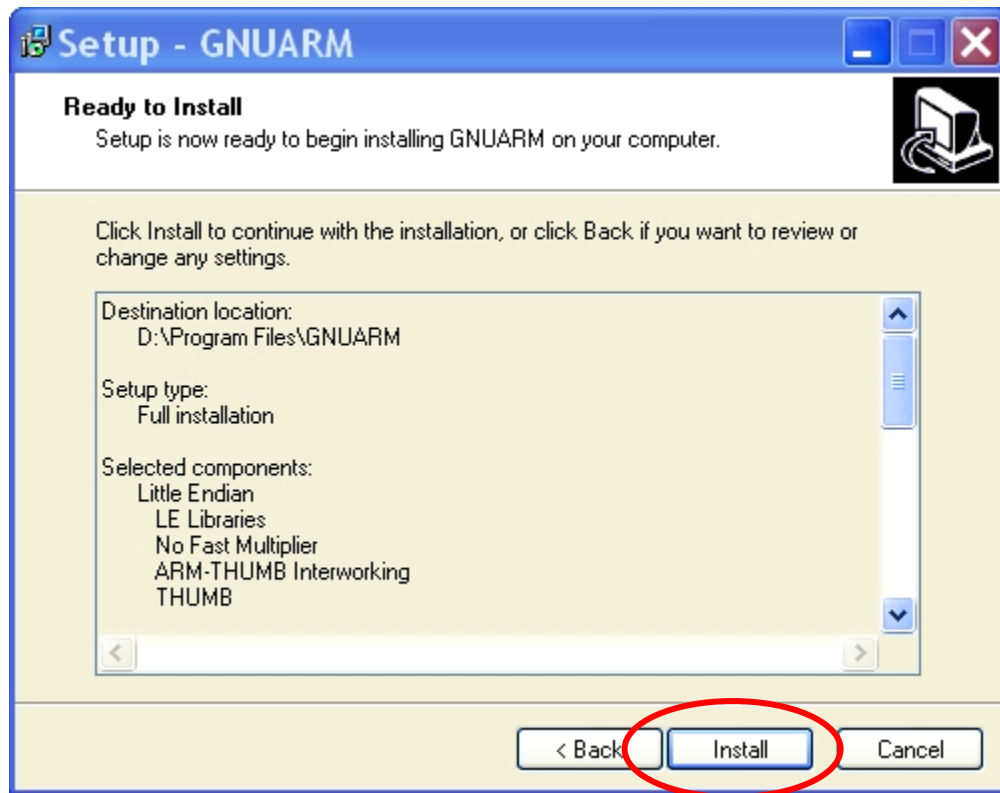


It's very important that you don't check **“Install Cygwin DLLs”** below. We already have the Cygwin DLLs installed from our Cygwin environment installation. In fact, the ARM message boards have had recent comments suggesting that the Cygwin DLL installation from within GNUARM has some problems.

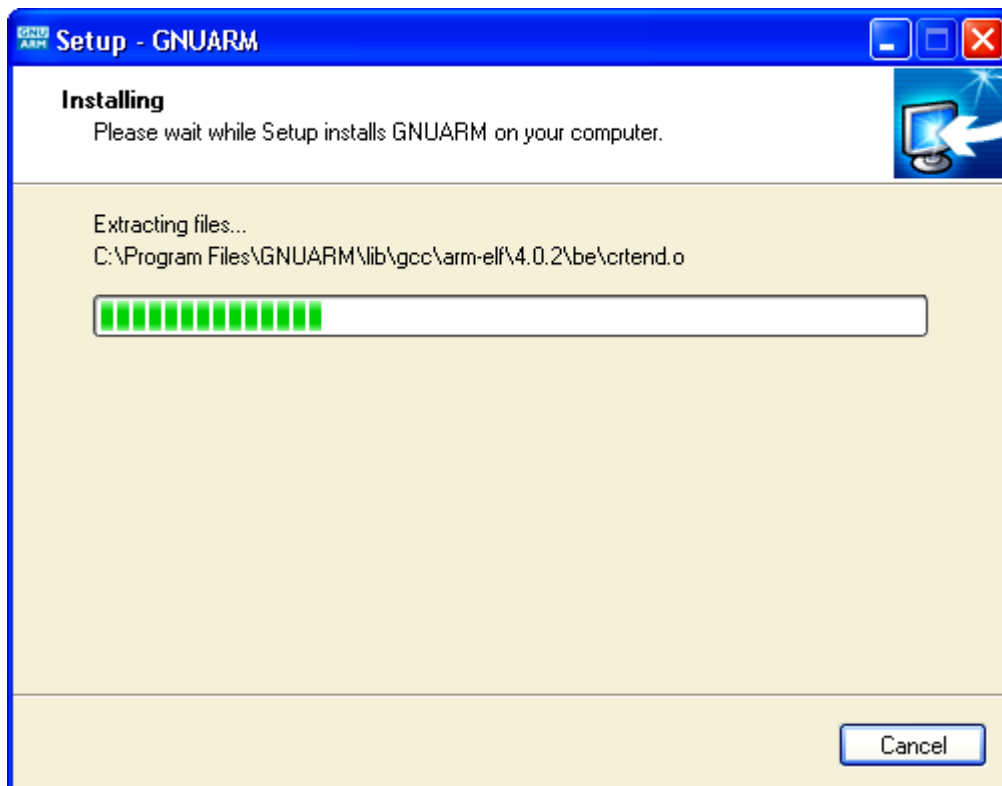
Since all operations are called from within Eclipse, we don't need a **“desktop icon”** either. Click **“Next”** to continue.



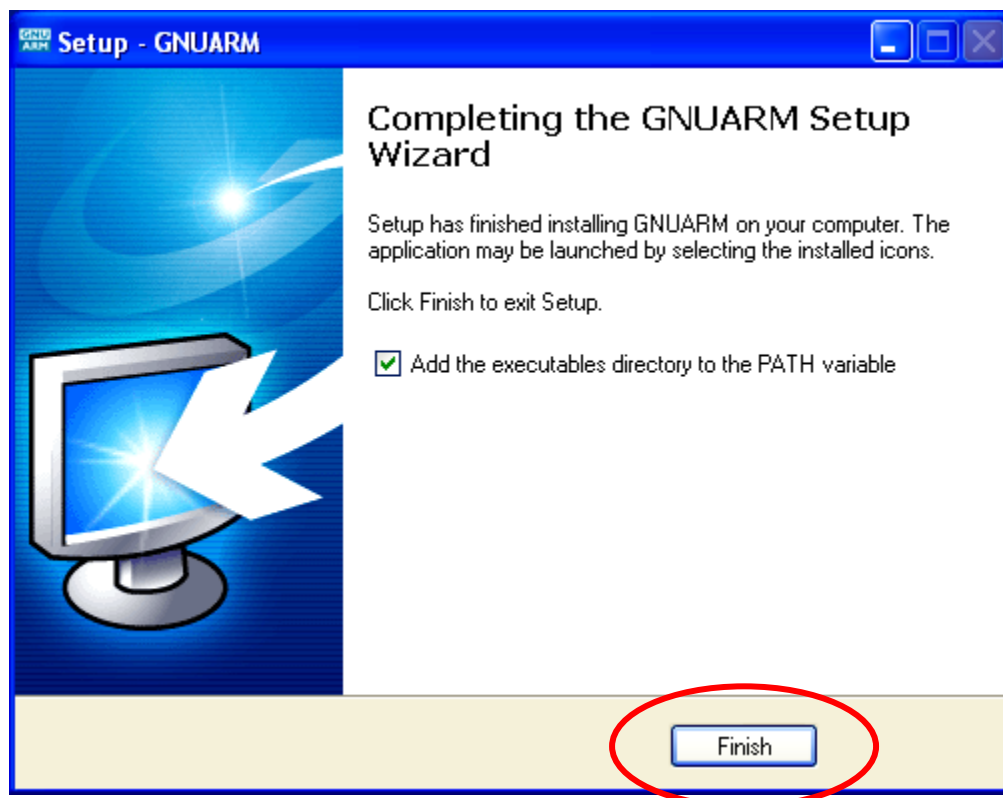
Click on “**Install**” to start the GNUARM installation.



Sit back and watch the GNUARM compiler suite install itself.



When it completes, the following screen is presented. Make sure that “**Add the executables directory to the PATH variable**” is checked. This is crucial.



This completes the installation of the compiler suites. Since Eclipse will call these components via the make file, you won't have to think about it again.

It's worth mentioning that the GNUARM web site has a nice Yahoo user group with other users posing and answering questions about GNUARM. Pay them a visit. The GNUARM web site also has links to all the ARM documentation you'll ever need.

# Installing the Philips LPC2000 Flash Utility into Eclipse

The Philips LPC2000 Flash Utility allows downloading of hex files from the COM1 port of the desktop computer to the **Olimex LPC-P2106** board's flash (or RAM) memory.

We need to download the latest version of this program from the Philips web site and unzip and install it into the **program files** directory. Then we will start Eclipse and add the LPC2000 Flash Utility as an external tool to be invoked.

Click on the following link to access the Philips LPC2106 web page.

[www.semiconductors.philips.com/pip/LPC2106.html](http://www.semiconductors.philips.com/pip/LPC2106.html)

The following web page for the LPC2106 should open.

The screenshot shows the Philips website's product information page for the LPC2104/2105/2106 microcontrollers. The page has a blue header with the Philips logo and navigation links. A left sidebar lists product categories, with 'Microcontrollers' selected. The main content area features the product name, a brief description, and a table of links to various resources like datasheets and support tools. Below this, there are sections for 'General description' and 'Features', each with a detailed paragraph of text.

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**Product Information**

LPC2104/2105/2106; Single-chip 32-bit microcontrollers; 128 kB ISP/IAP Flash with 64 kB/32 kB/16 kB RAM

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**General description**

The LPC2104, 2105 and 2106 are based on a 16/32 bit ARM7TDMI-S CPU with real-time emulation and embedded trace support, together with 128 kbytes (kB) of embedded high speed flash memory. A 128 bit wide memory interface and a unique accelerator architecture enable 32 bit code execution at maximum clock rate. For critical code size applications, the alternative 16-bit Thumb Mode reduces code by more than 30pct with minimal performance penalty.

Due to their tiny size and low power consumption, these microcontrollers are ideal for applications where miniaturization is a key requirement, such as access control and point-of-sale. With a wide range of serial communications interfaces and on-chip SRAM options up to 64 kilobytes, they are very well suited for communication gateways and protocol converters, soft modems, voice recognition and low end imaging, providing both large buffer size and high processing power. Various 32 bit timers, PWM channels and 32 GPIO lines make these microcontrollers particularly suitable for industrial control and medical systems.

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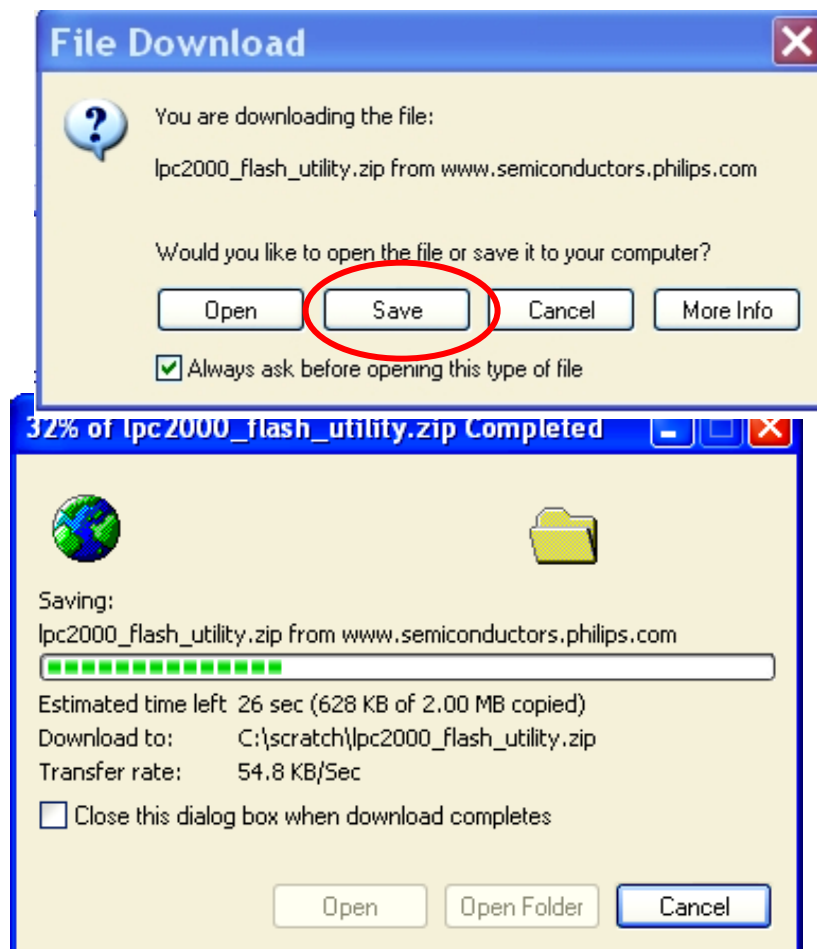
- 16/32 bit ARM7TDMI-S processor.
- 16/32/64 kB on-chip Static RAM.

If you scroll down this page, you will see a link to the LPC2000 Flash Utility download.  
Click on the ZIP file LPC2000 Flash Utility (date 2004-03-01)

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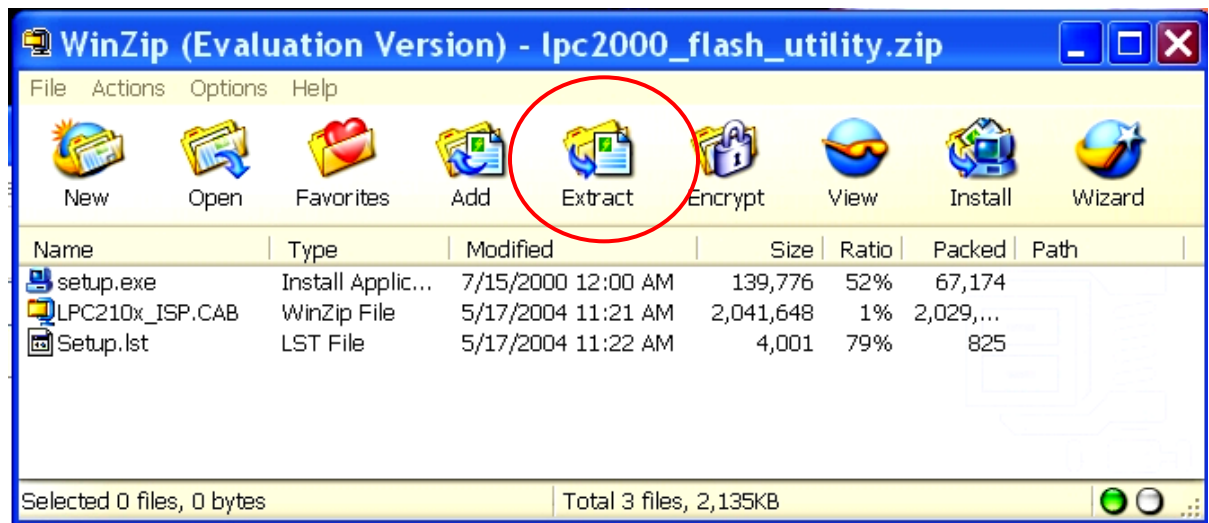
As before, we'll save the downloaded zip file in our empty **c:/scratch** directory.



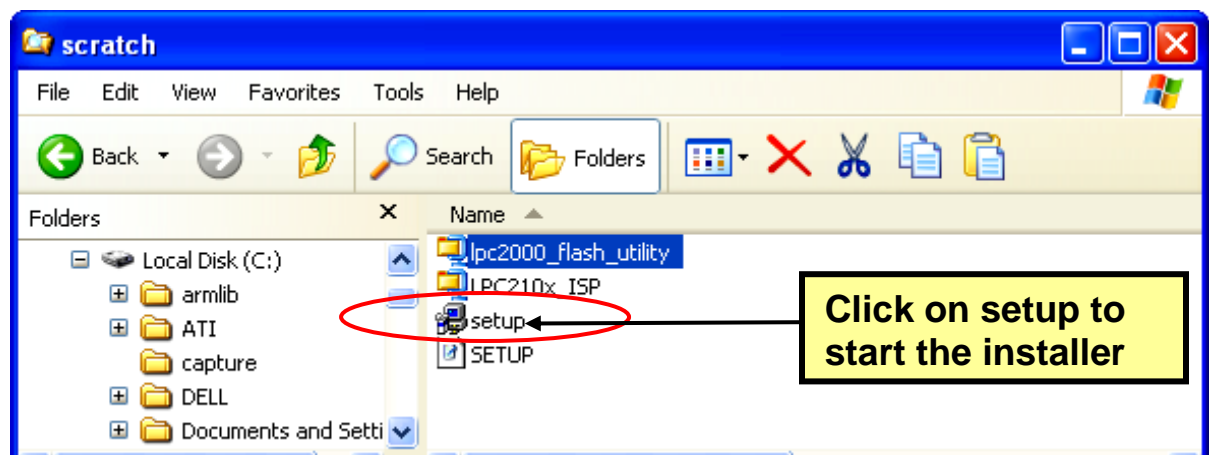
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We'll use WinZip to unzip this into the **c:/scratch** directory. I'm assuming, at this point, that you have WinZip manipulations well understood.

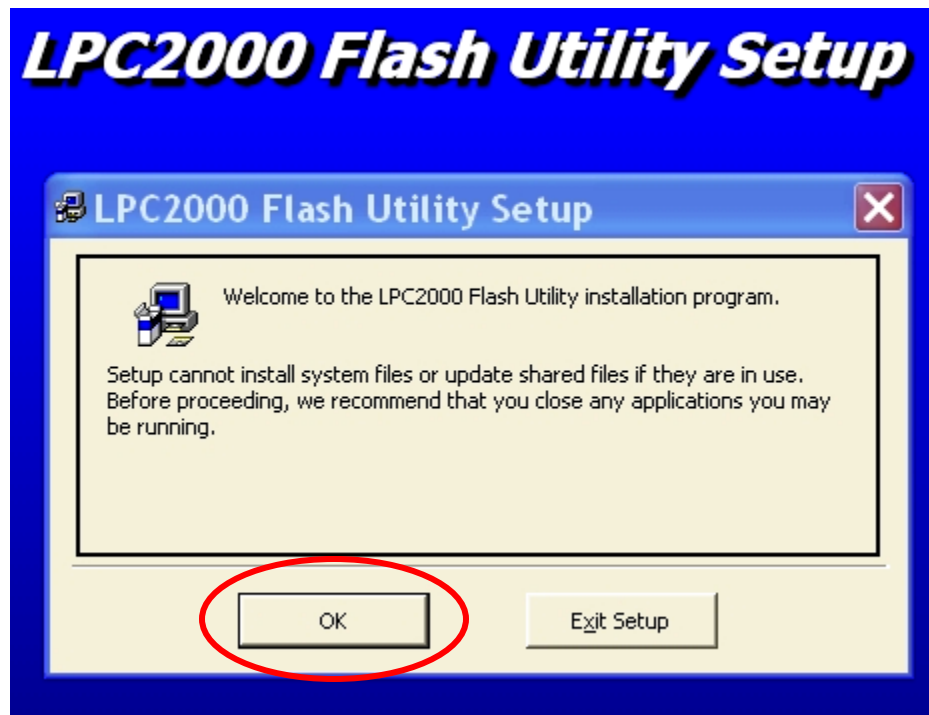


Now you can see that the download directory has a setup utility and another zip file containing the LPC2000 Hex Utility. Click on the **setup.exe** application to start the installer.

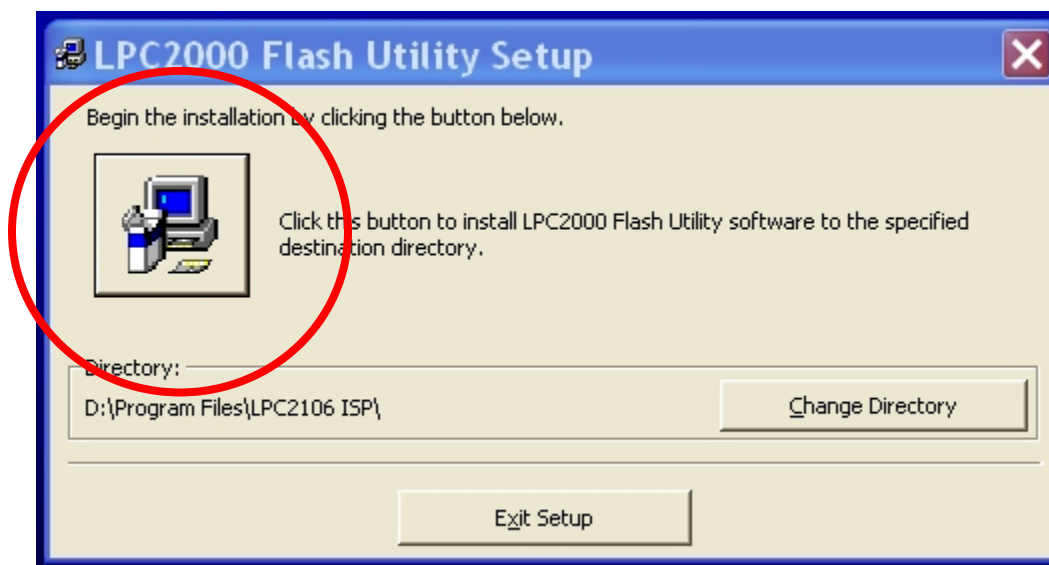




The LPC2000 Flash Utility setup now starts. Click on **OK** to proceed.



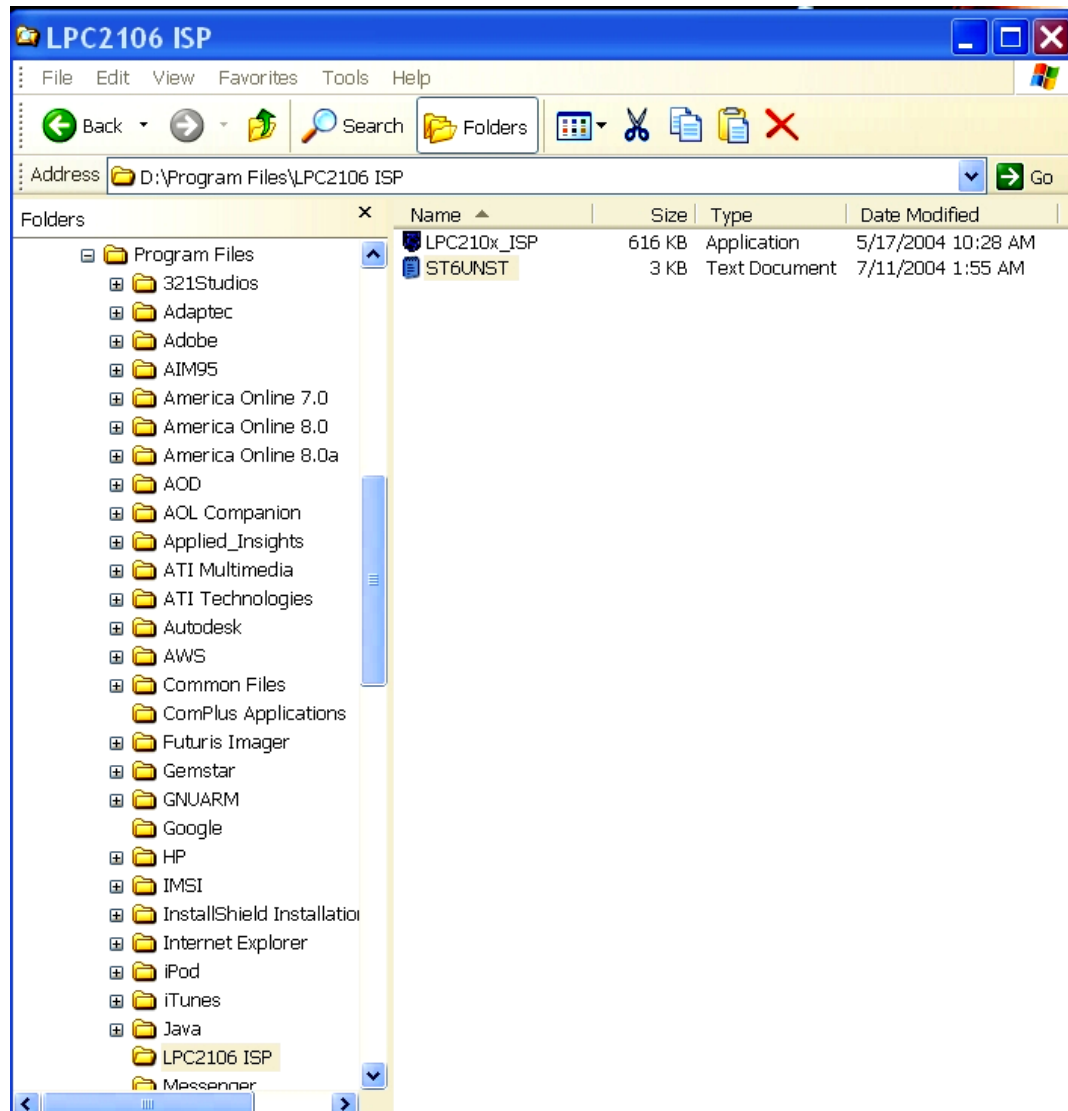
Take the default on this screen below and let it install the LPC2000 Flash Utility into the Program Files directory.



In a very few seconds, the installer will complete and you should see this screen.



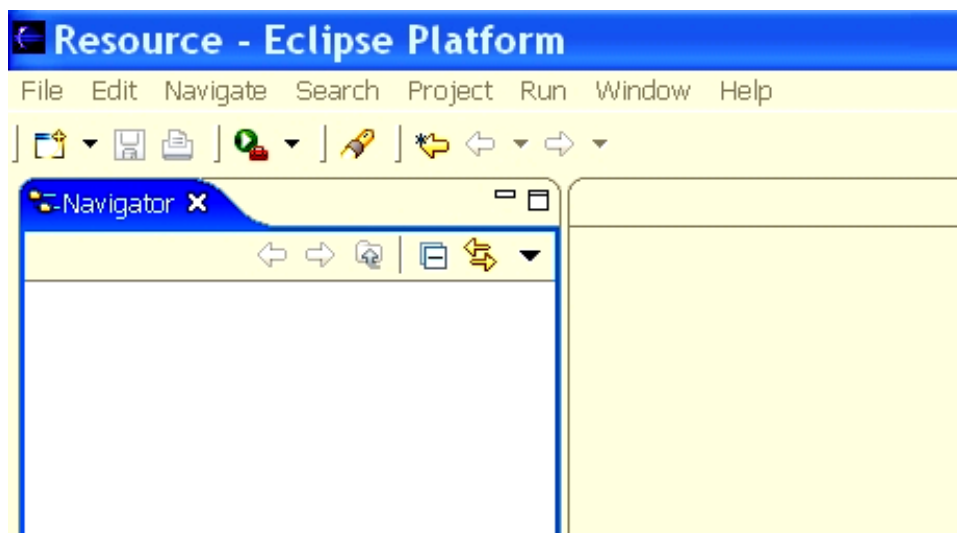
Here we see the utility residing in the Program Files directory, just as promised.



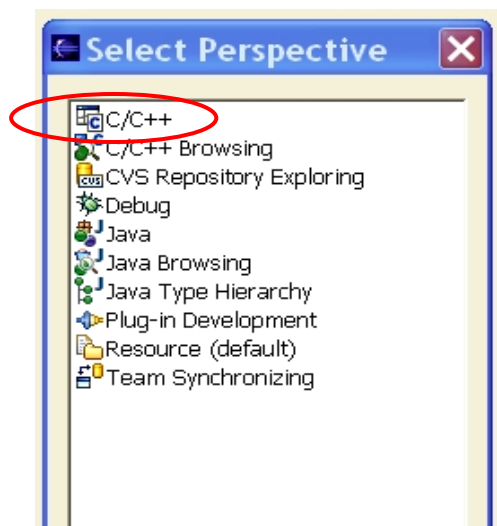
Now that the Philips LPC2000 Flash Utility is properly installed on our computer, we'd like to install it into Eclipse so that it can be invoked from the RUN pull-down menu under the "**external tools**" option. Start Eclipse by clicking on the desktop icon.



The layout of the Eclipse screen is called a "perspective." The default perspective is the "resource" perspective, as shown below.

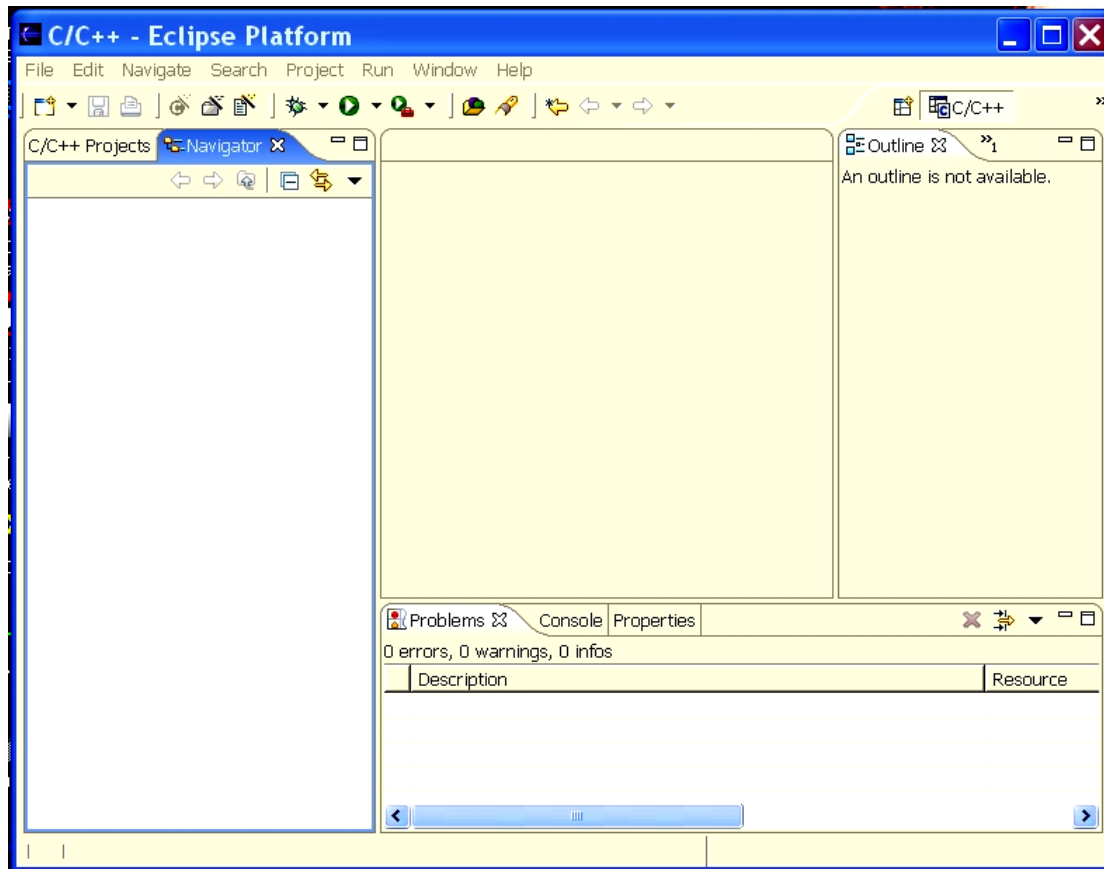


We need to change it into the C/C++ perspective. In the **Window** pull-down menu, select **Window – Open Perspective – Other – C/C++** and then click **OK**.

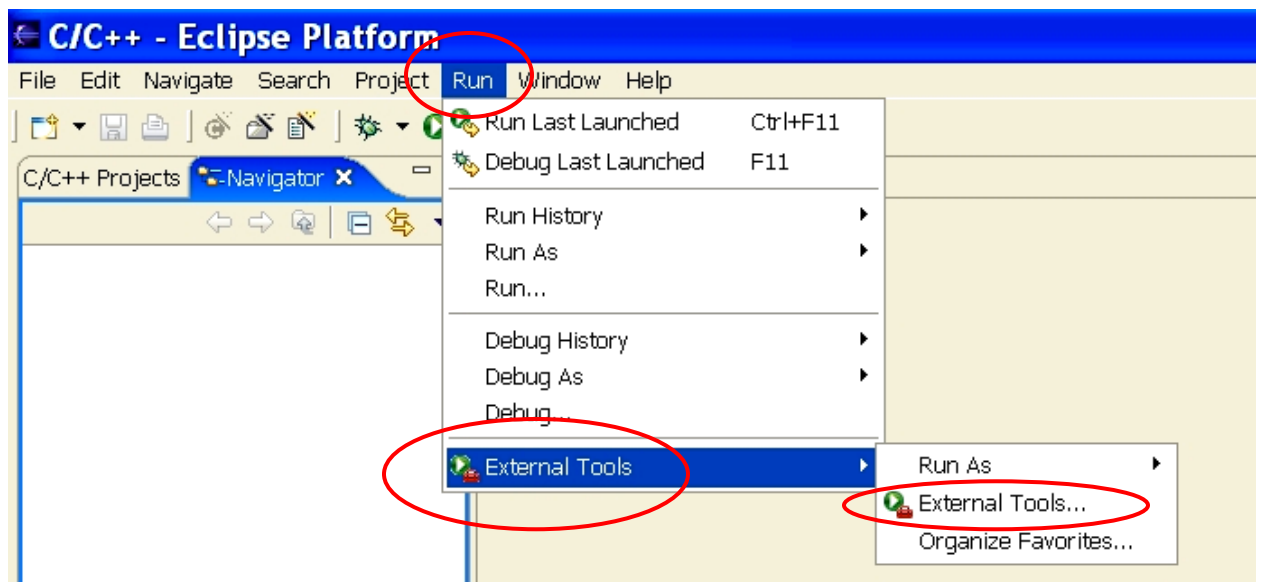




Eclipse will now switch to the **C/C++** perspective shown below and will remember it when you exit.

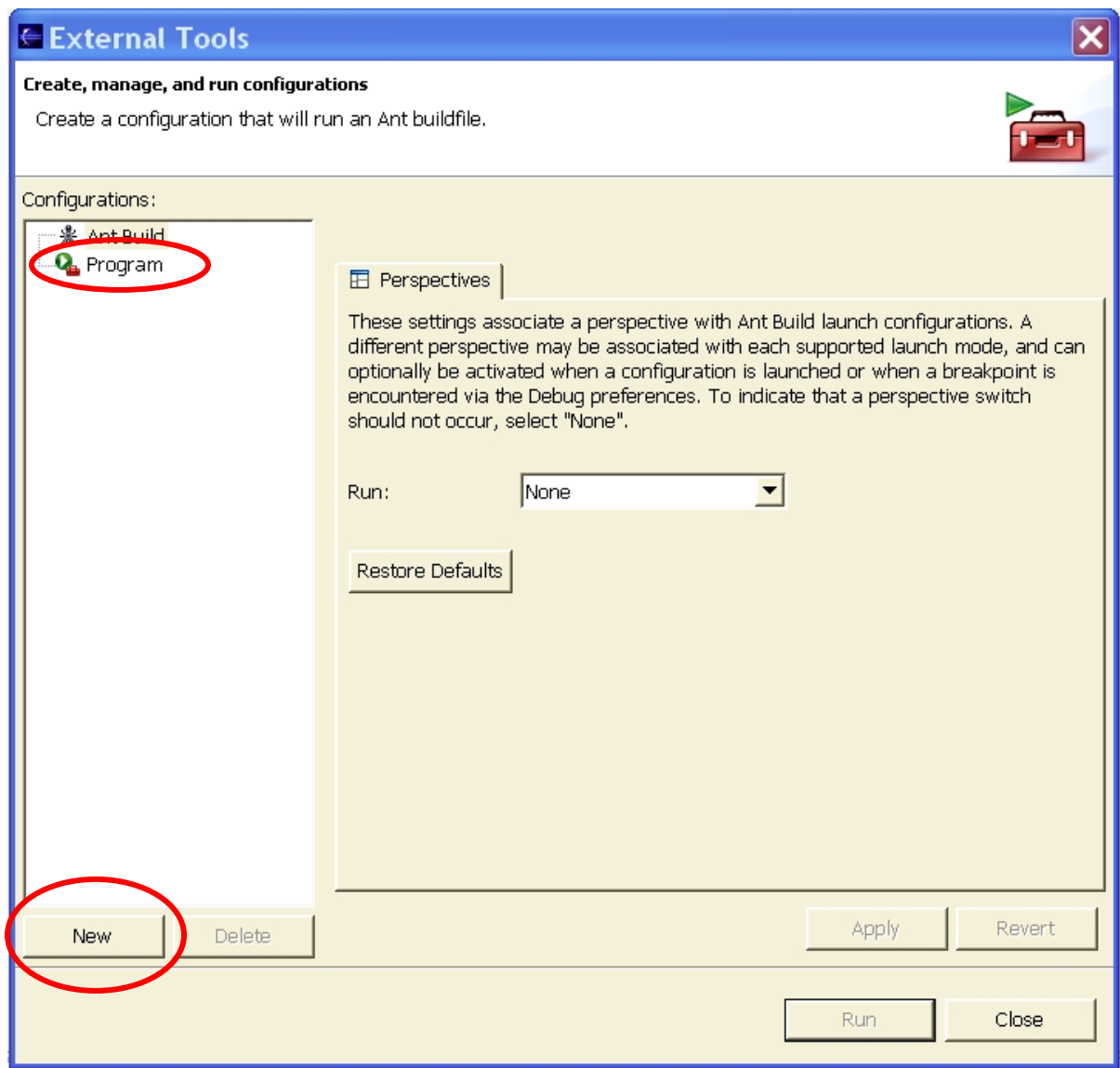


Now we want to add the Philips LPC2000 Flash Utility to the “**External Tools**” part of the **Run** pull-down menu. Select **RUN – External Tools – External Tools**.





We want to add a new program to the External Tools list, so click on **Program** and then **New**.

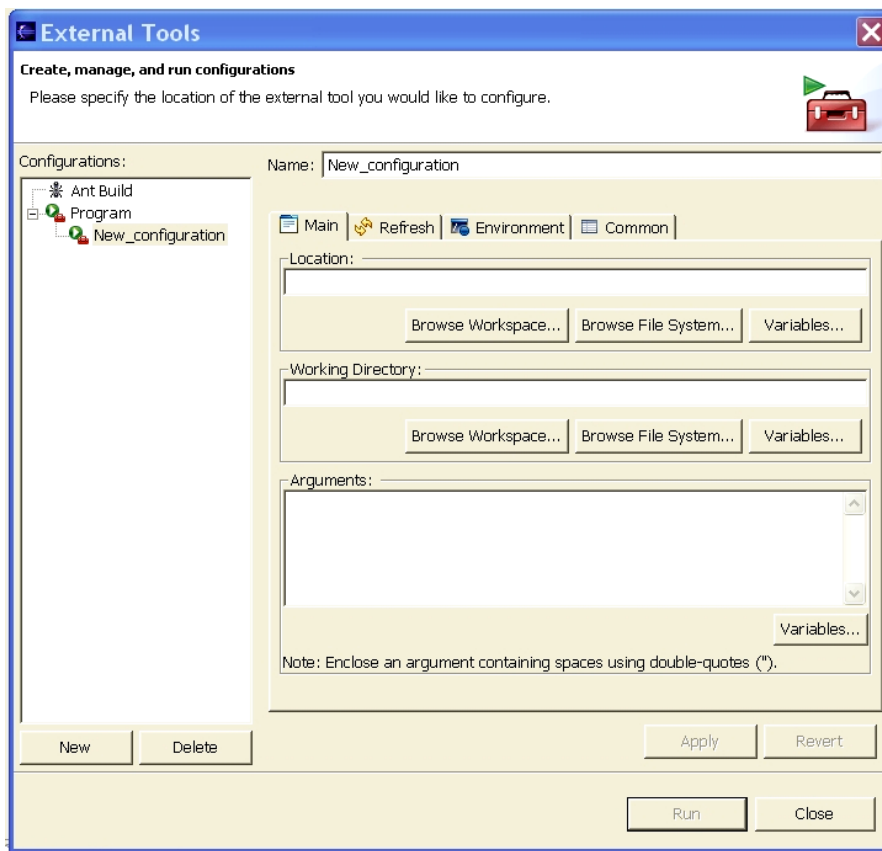


Note below that there's a new program under the "program" tree with the name **New\_configuration** and there's no specifications as to what it is.

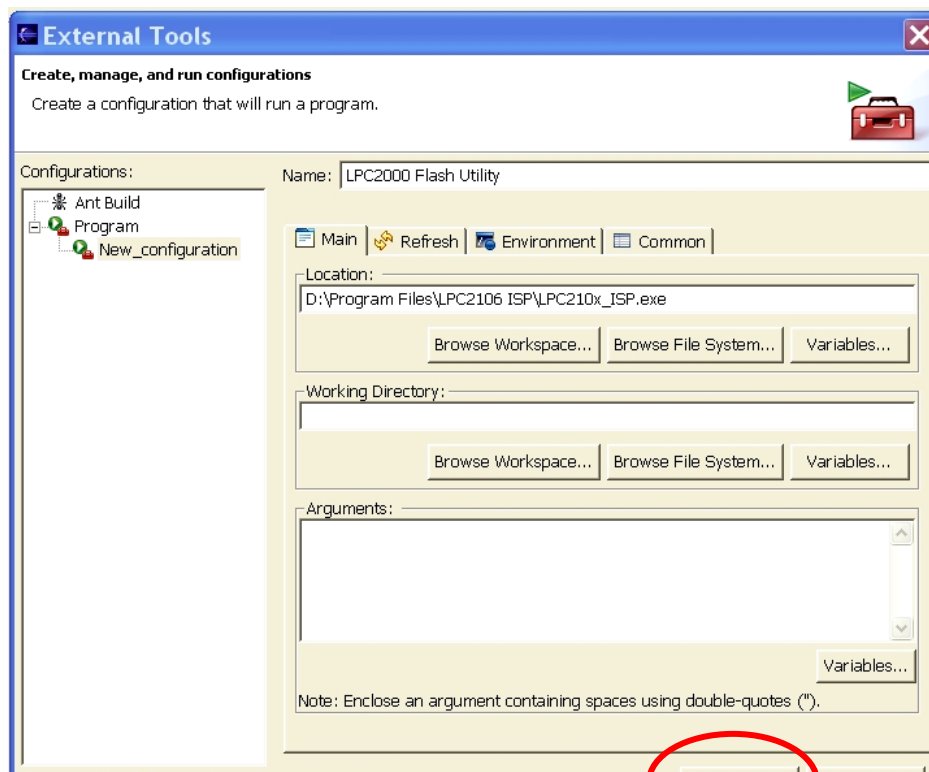
In the **Name** text box, replace **New-configuration** with **LPC2000 Flash Utility**.

In the **Location** text box, use the "**Browse File System**" tool to find the Philips LPC2000 Flash Utility in the Program Files directory. Its name is **LPC210x\_IPC.exe**.

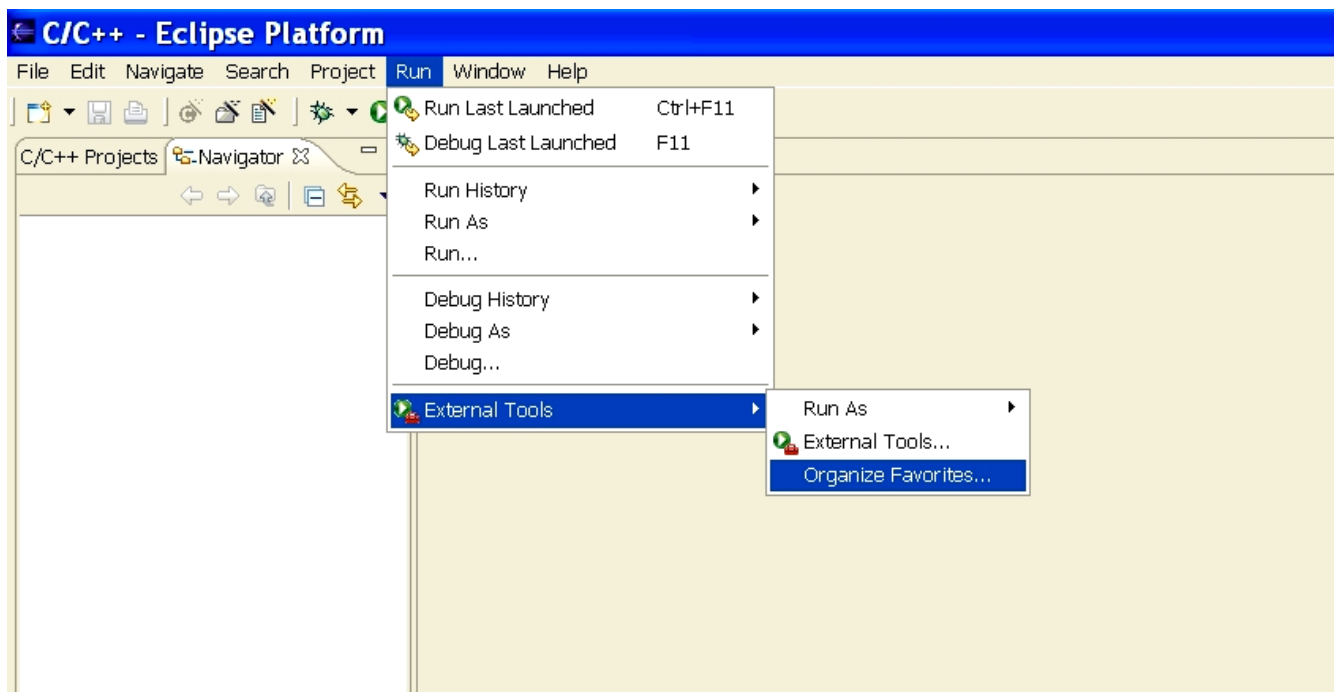
Here's the External Tools window before editing.



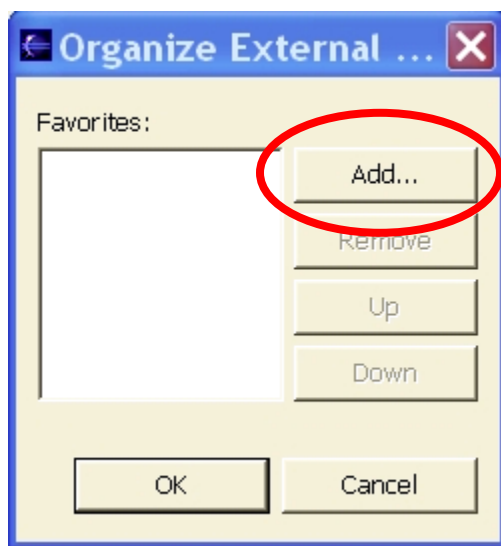
Here's the External Tools window after our modifications. Click on **Apply** to accept.



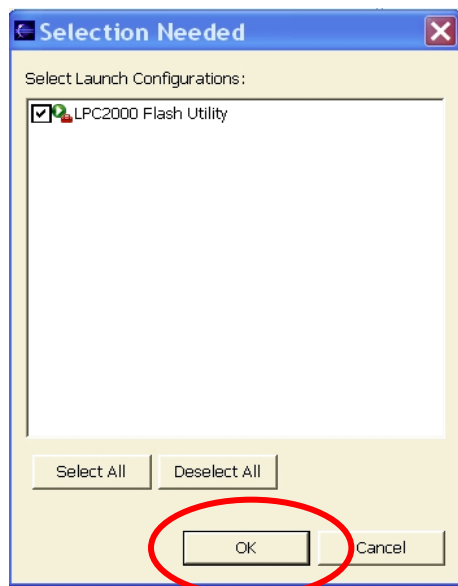
Close everything out and return to the **Run** pull-down menu. Select **Run – External Tools – Organize Favorites**.



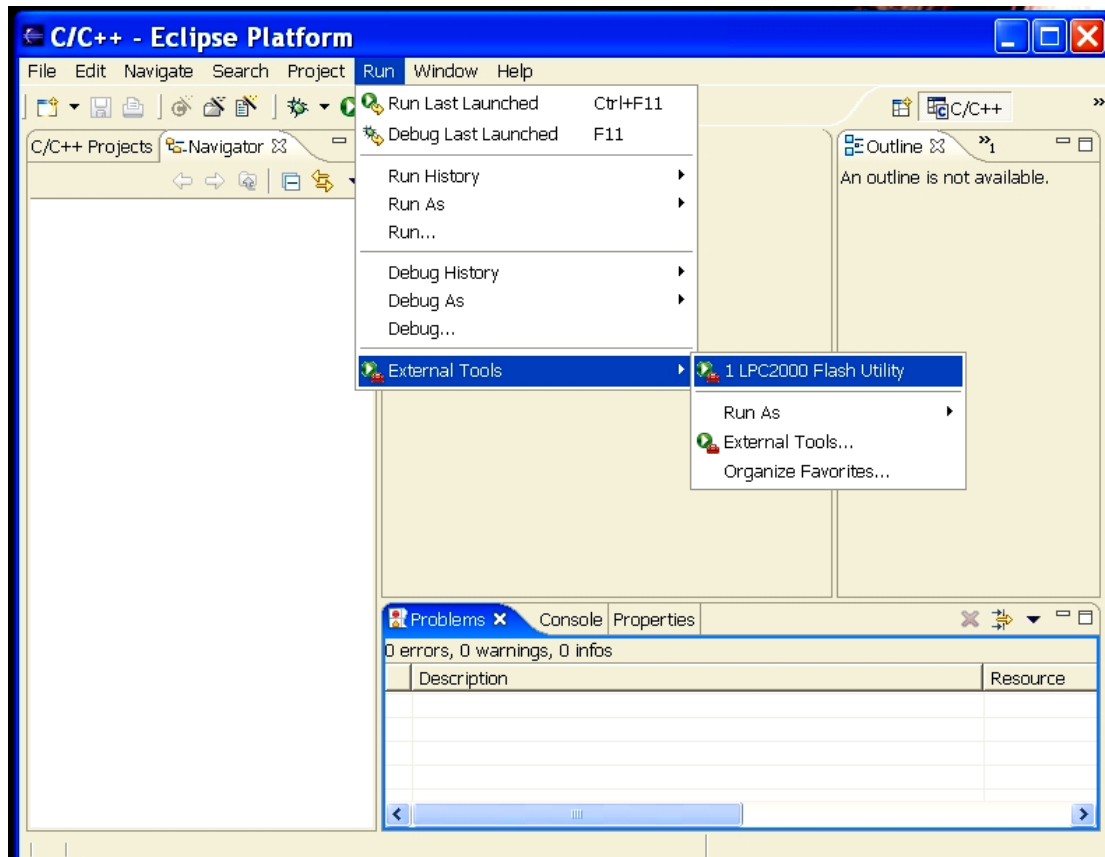
We're now going to put the Philips PLC2000 Flash Utility into the "favorites" list. Click on **"Add"** in the window below.



Click the selection box for LPC2000 Flash Utility. This will add it to the favorites list.

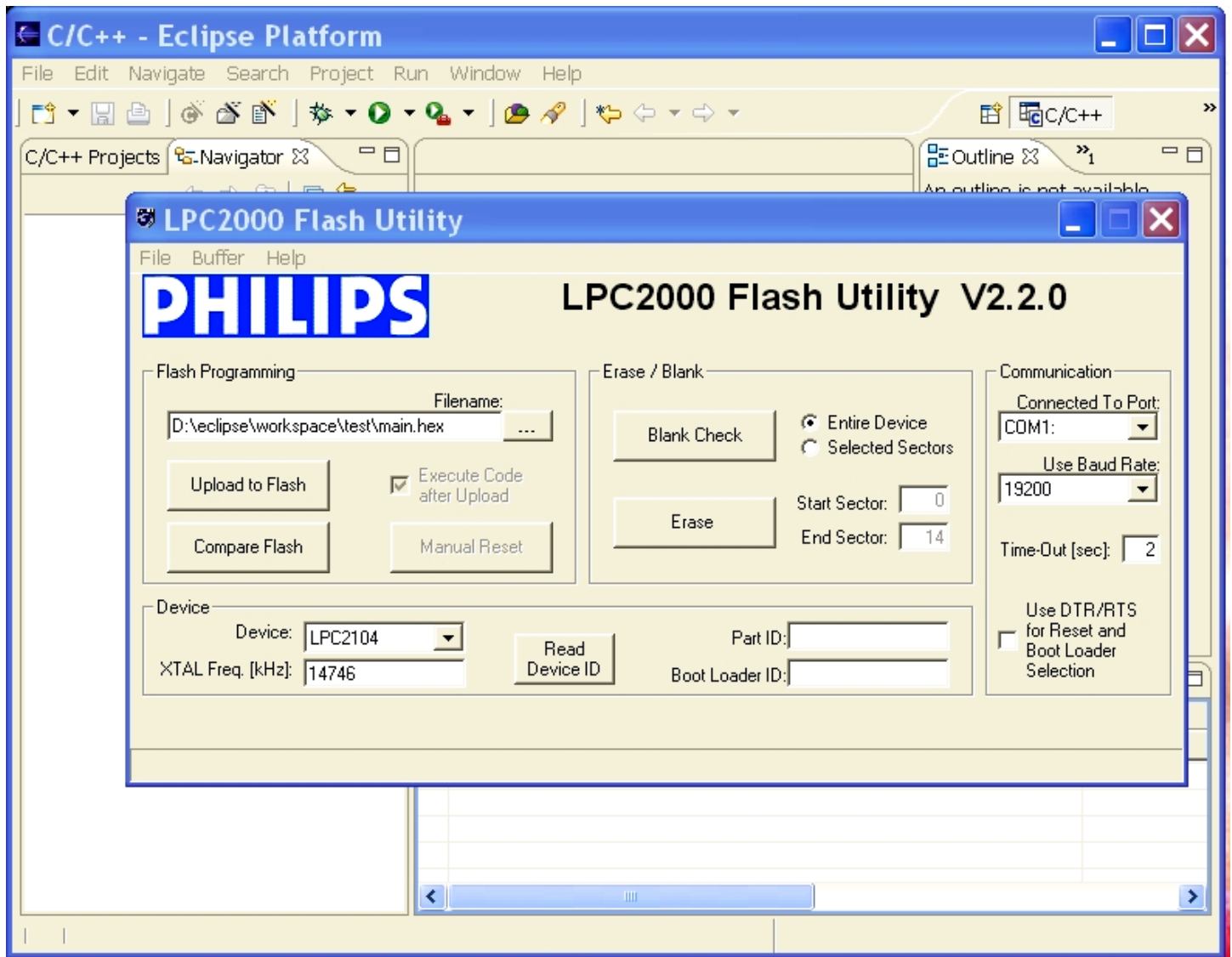


Now when we click on the **Run** pull-down menu and select “External Tools,” we see the **LPC2000 Flash Utility** at the top of the list.





Click on **LPC2000 Flash Utility** to verify that it runs.



Now cancel the LPC2000 Flash Utility and quit Eclipse.



# Installing the OpenOCD Utility

Eclipse/CDT has a fabulous graphical debugger that is built around the venerable GNU **GDB** command line debugger. The only problem is how to connect it to a remote target such as a microprocessor circuit board. **GDB** communicates to the target via a Remote Serial Protocol that can be utilized over a serial port or an internet port.

In the past, most people have used the Macraigor **OCDRemote** utility that reads **GDB** serial commands and manipulates the ARM JTAG lines using the PC's parallel port and a simple level-shifting device called a "wiggler". The Macraigor **OCDRemote** utility has always been available for free (in binary form) but it is not Open Source. Macraigor could withdraw it at any time.

To the rescue is German college student Dominic Rath who developed an open source ARM JTAG debugger as his diploma thesis at the University of Applied Sciences, FH-Augsburg in Bavaria. Dominic's thesis can be found here:

<http://openocd.berlios.de/thesis.pdf>

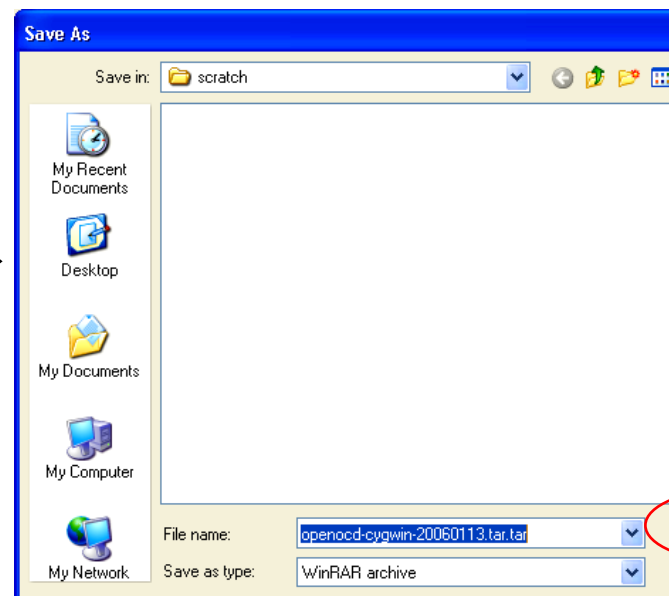
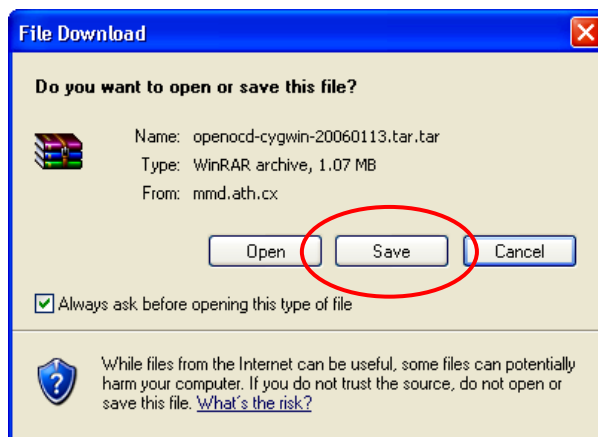
Dominic also has a website on the Berlios Open Source repository here:

<http://openocd.berlios.de/web/>

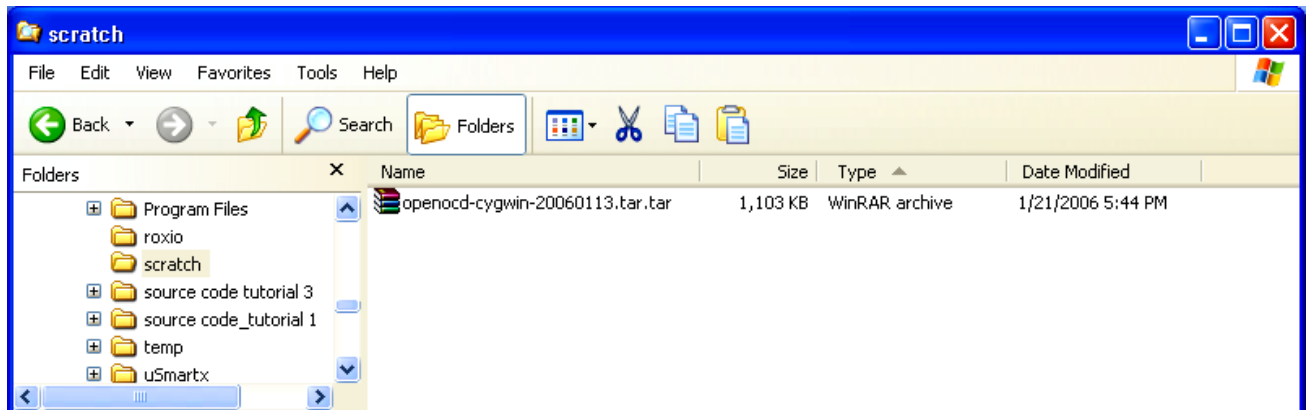
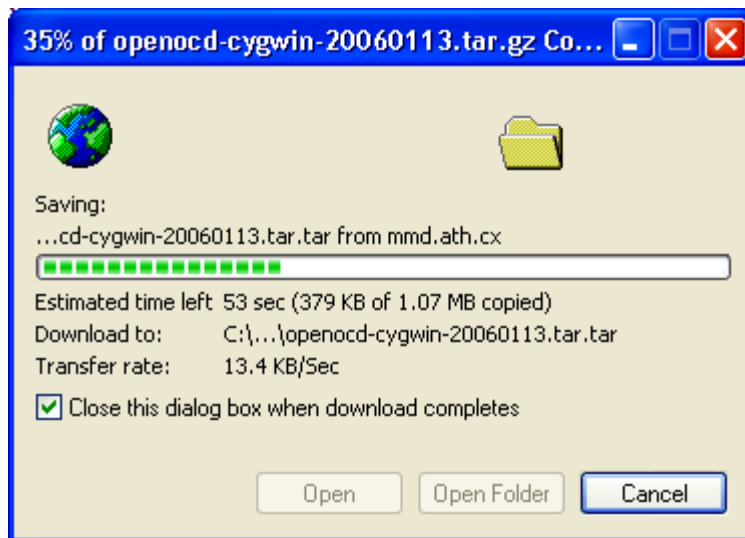
To retrieve the **OpenOCD** utility, click on the following link.

<http://prdownload.berlios.de/openocd/openocd-cygwin-20060213.tar.gz>

Once again, let's save it to the **c:/scratch** folder.



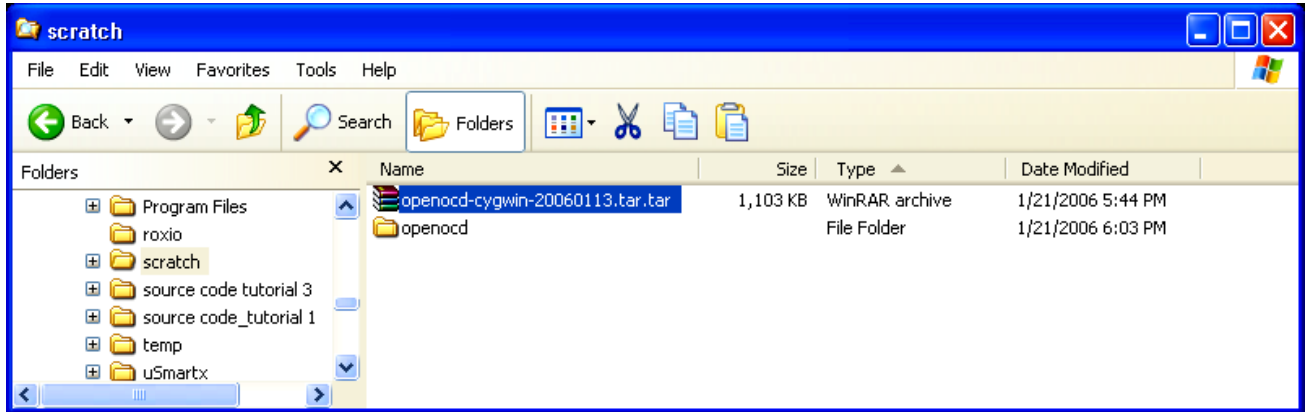
**OpenOCD** will now download into the empty **c:/scratch** folder.



This is an uncompressed Unix-style “Tape Archive” **tar** file that can be unpacked by the utility **WinRAR**. **WinRAR** is a shareware utility that has a 40 day free trial period and can be found here:

<http://www.rarlab.com/rar/wrar351.exe>

Once WinRAR has unpacked the files, the c:/scratch folder now contains:



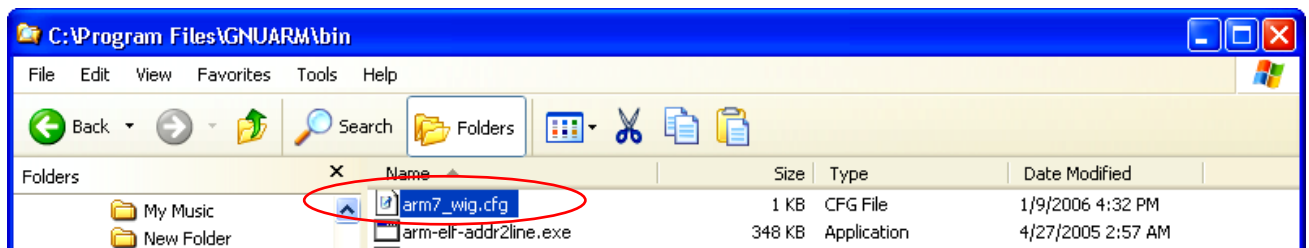
The folder **c:\scratch\openocd** shown above has two files we need to copy to the **c:\Program Files\GNUARM\bin** directory. The two files are:

**C:\scratch\openocd\src\openocd.exe** (The OpenOCD executable)

**C:\scratch\openocd\doc\configs\arm7\_wig.cfg** (configuration file for the “wiggler” )

While this may seem a bit arbitrary, our GNUARM folder **c:\Program Files\GNUARM\bin** contains the ARM versions of the GNU C compiler and other utilities and will have a path defined to it!

After copying these files to the **c:\Program Files\GNUARM\bin** folder, verify that the two files are there!



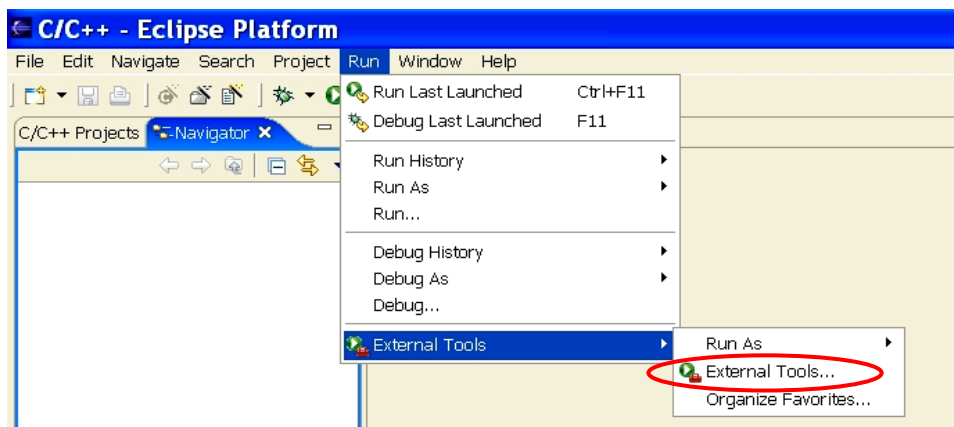
The wiggler configuration file, just a list of **OpenOCD** commands run at startup that configure the debugger for the parallel port and the wiggler, can be left in its default state for the Eclipse system. It would be wise to inspect Dominic Rath's documentation since the appendix has the up-to-date list of **OpenOCD** commands.

Now that **OpenOCD** is properly installed on our computer, we'd like to install it into Eclipse so that it can be invoked from the **RUN** pull-down menu under the "**external tools**" option. We also need to install the utility "**IOPerm.exe**" into Eclipse to allow **OpenOCD** to access the parallel printer port. **IOPerm.exe** is already part of your Cygwin installation and may be found in the **c:\cygwin\bin** folder.

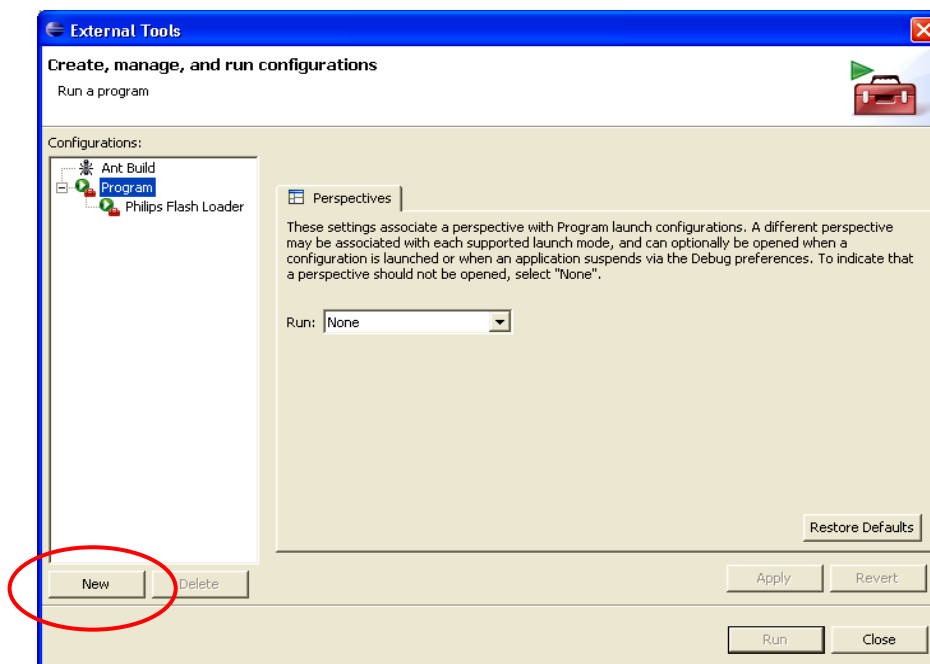
Start Eclipse by clicking on the desktop icon. Make sure the C/C++ perspective is displayed.



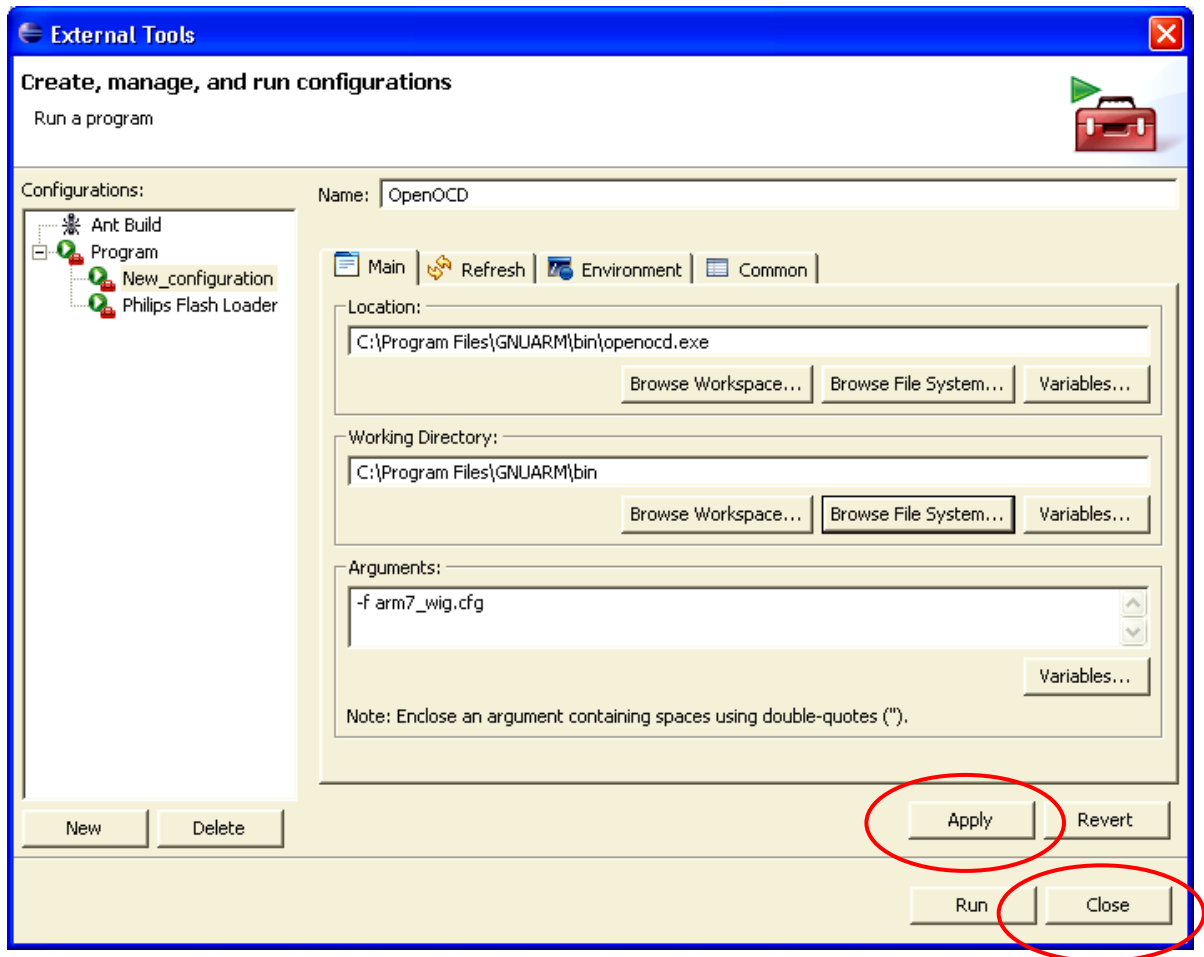
Now we want to add the OpenOCD utility to the "**External Tools**" part of the **Run** pull-down menu. Select **RUN – External Tools – External Tools**.



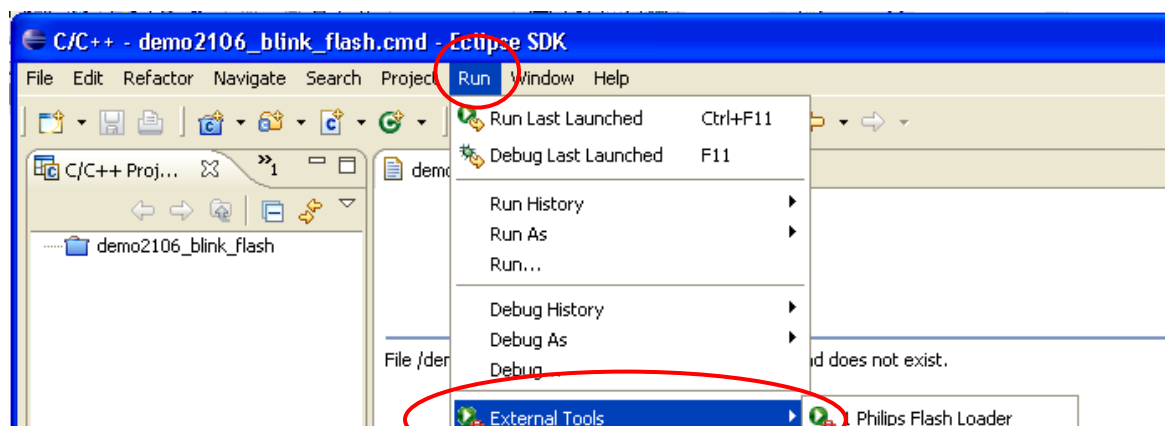
In the "**External Tools**" window, click on "**Program**" and then "**New**" to create a new External Tool configuration.



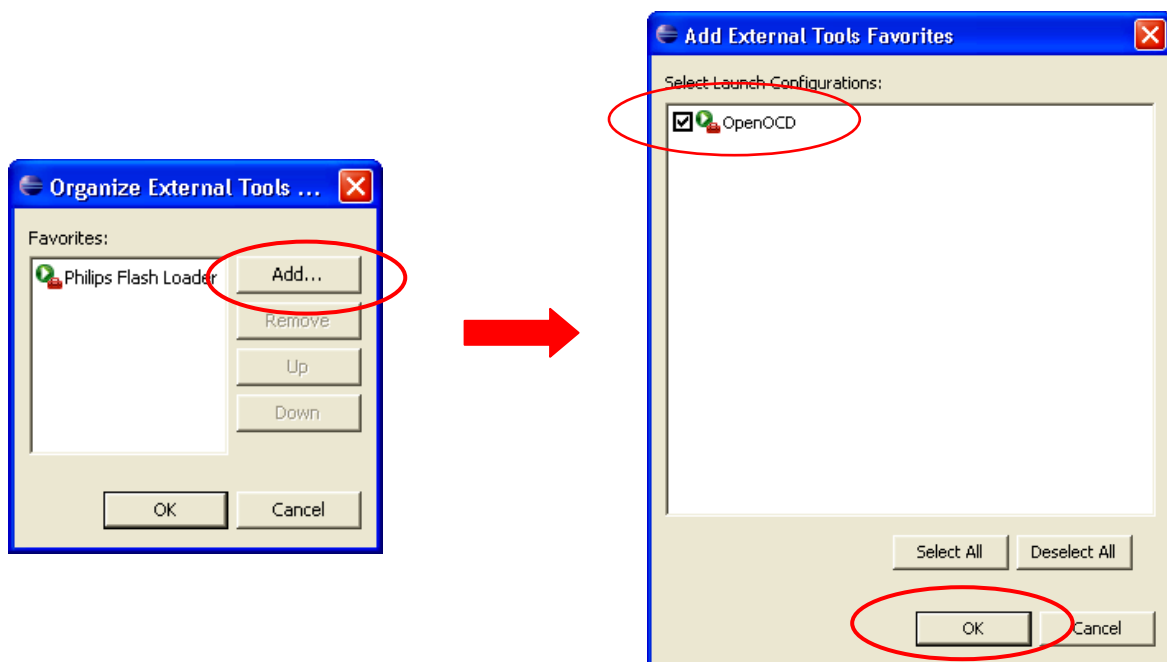
Now fill in the **External Tools** configuration window as shown below. Click on “**Apply**” and then “**Close**” to accept the **OpenOCD** configuration.



Now let's put **OpenOCD** into the Favorites list. Click on “**Run**” followed by “**External Tools**” and “**Organize Favorites...**”

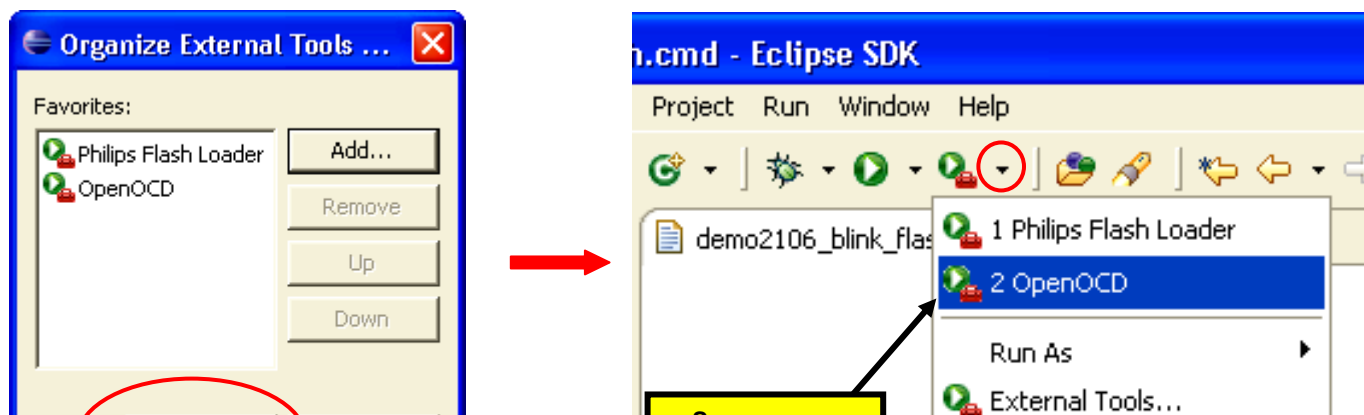


Click on “**Add**” and then check “**OpenOCD**” for inclusion into the Favorites list.  
Click on “**OK**” to enter the selection.



Click “**OK**” on the “**Organize External Tools ...**” window to complete the process.

The check our work, click on the “**External Tools**” toolbar button's pull-down arrow to see if **OpenOCD** was added to the Favorites list.



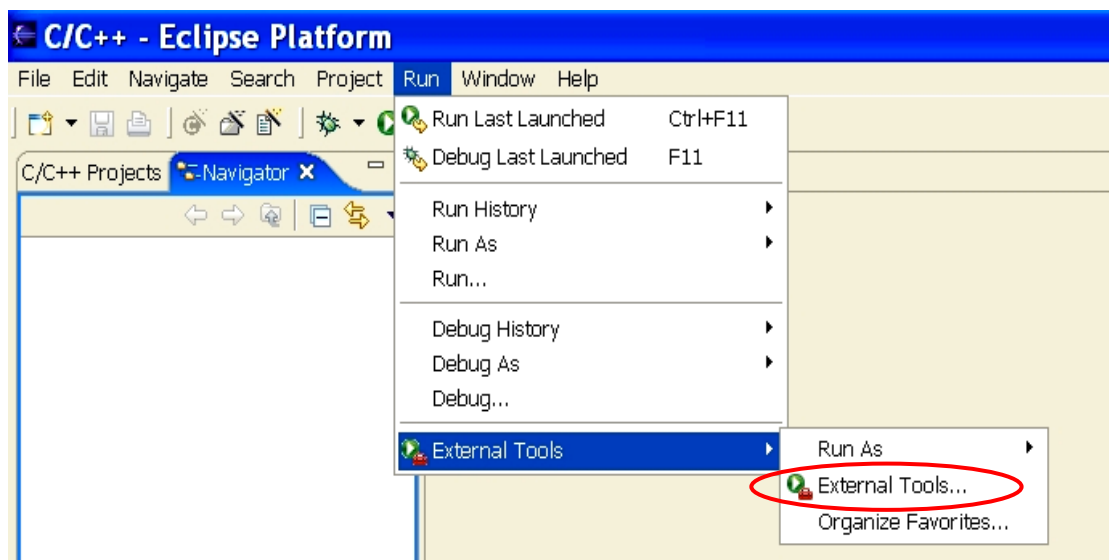




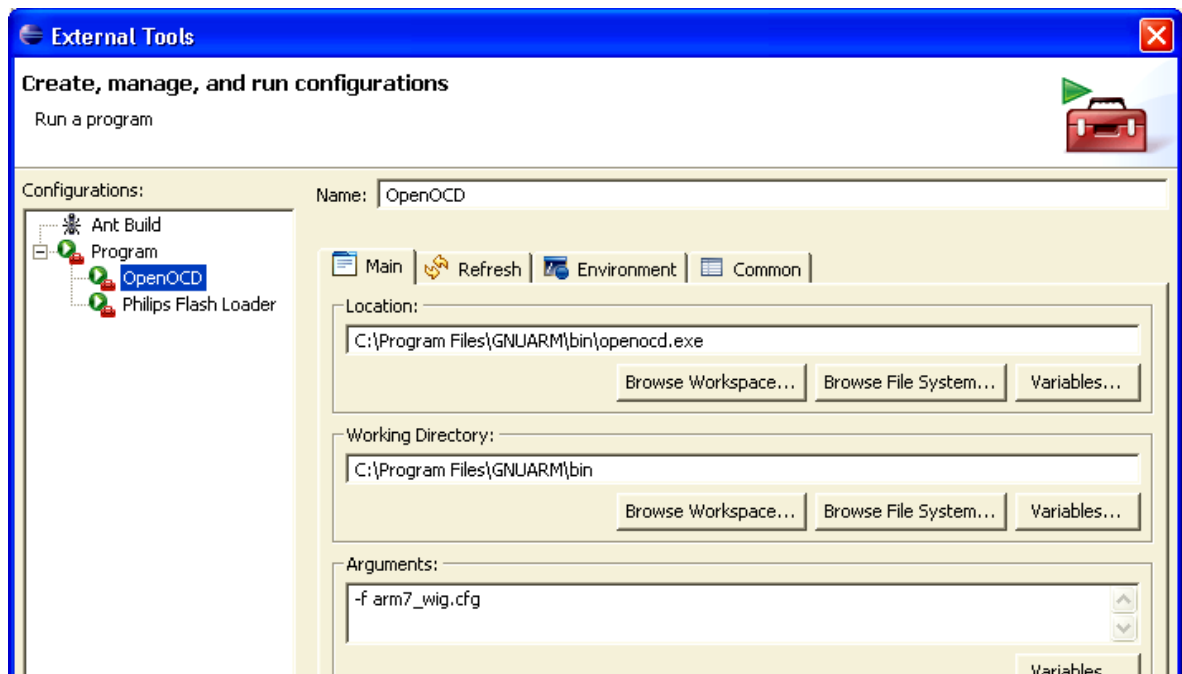
# Installing the IOPERM Utility

**OpenOCD** requires that the GNU utility **IOPerm.exe** be running to allow **OpenOCD** access to the PC's parallel port. This utility is already in the **c:\cygwin\bin** directory. All we need to do is add this utility as an "External Tool" and add it to the Favorites list.

Click on "Run" followed by "External Tools" followed by "External Tools..."



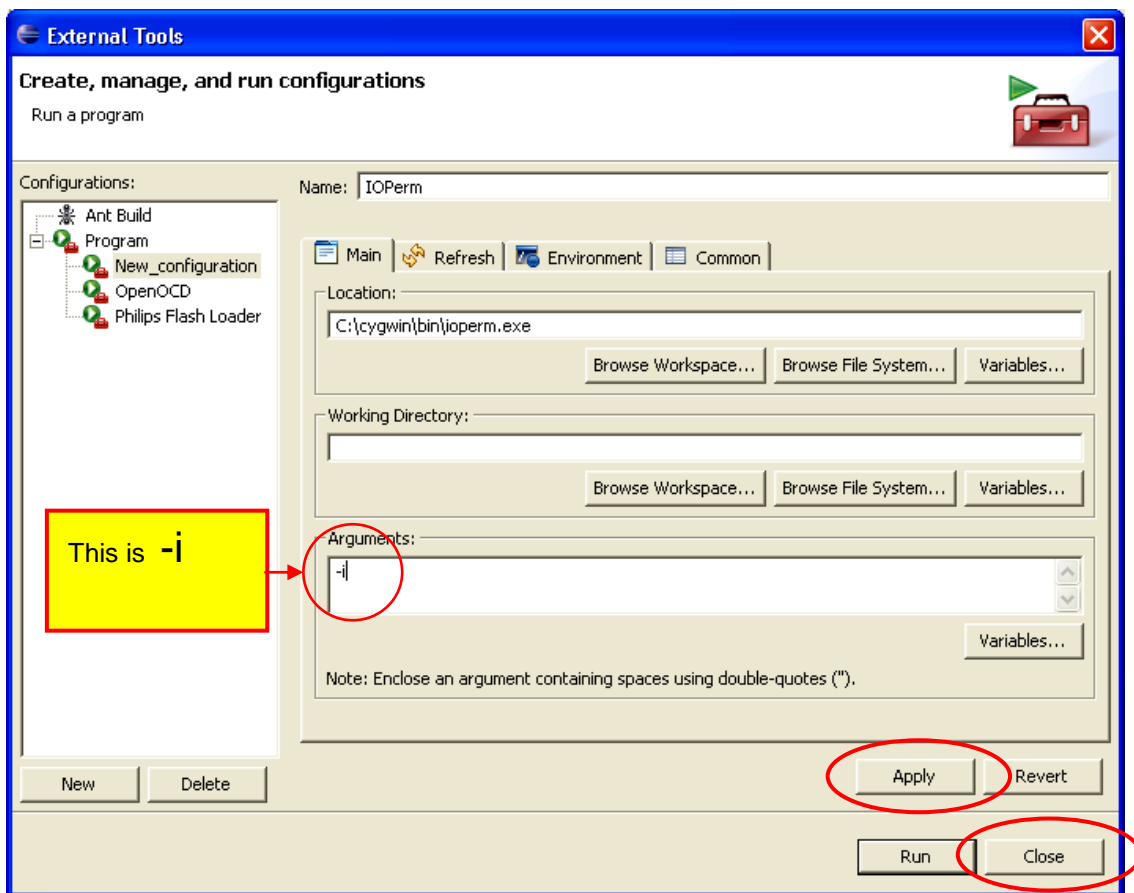
In the "External Tools" window, click on "New" to create a new External Tools configuration.



Now fill out the form as shown below. **IOPerm.exe** can be found in the **c:\cygwin\bin** folder.

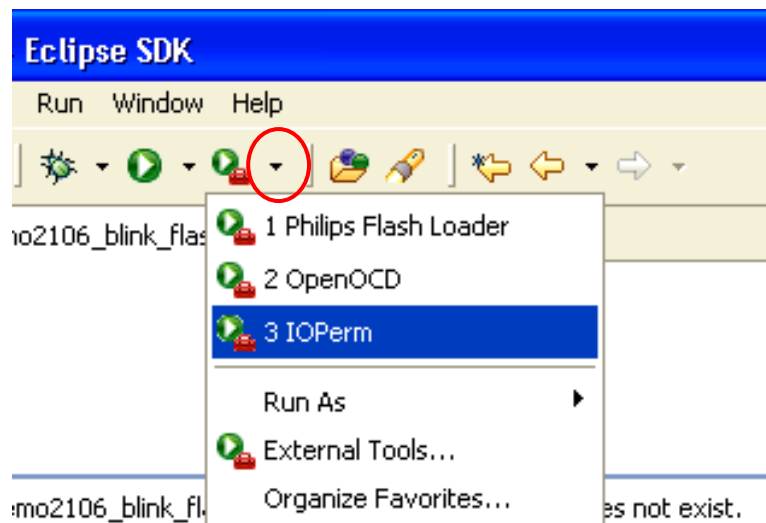
One argument is needed, in this case: **-i**

Click on “**Apply**” then “**Close**” to accept the new External Tool.



Using the same techniques utilized previously, add **IOPerm** to the list of favorites in the “external tools”.

Click on the External Tools toolbar button’s pull-down arrow to check that **IOPerm** has been added to the list of favorites.



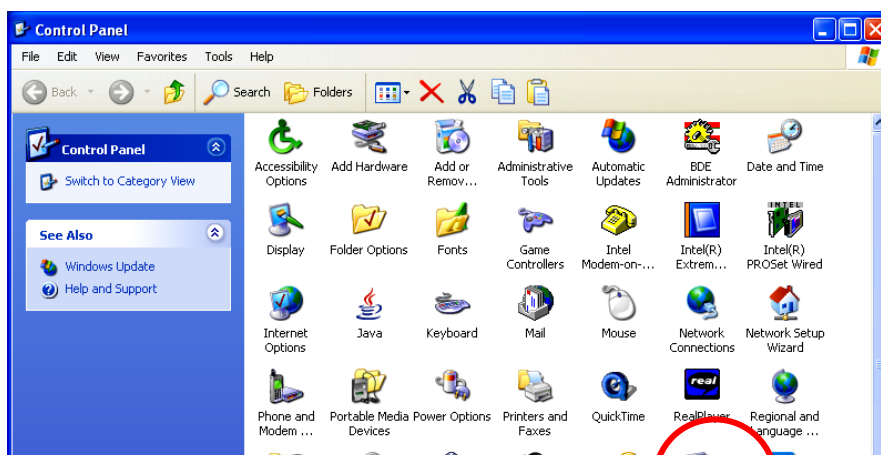
## Verifying the PATH Settings

There is one final and very crucial step to make before we complete our tool building. We have to ensure that the Windows PATH environment variable has entries for the **Cygwin** toolset, the **GNUARM** toolset and the **OCDRemote** JTAG server.

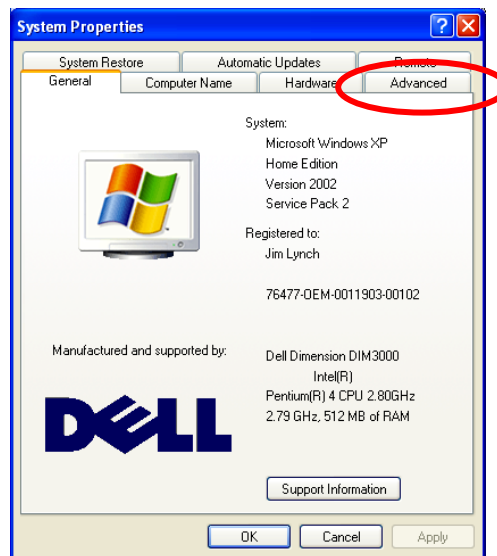
These are the three paths that must be present in the Windows environment:

**c:\cygwin\bin**  
**c:\program files\gnuarm\bin**  
**c:\cygwin\usr\local\bin**

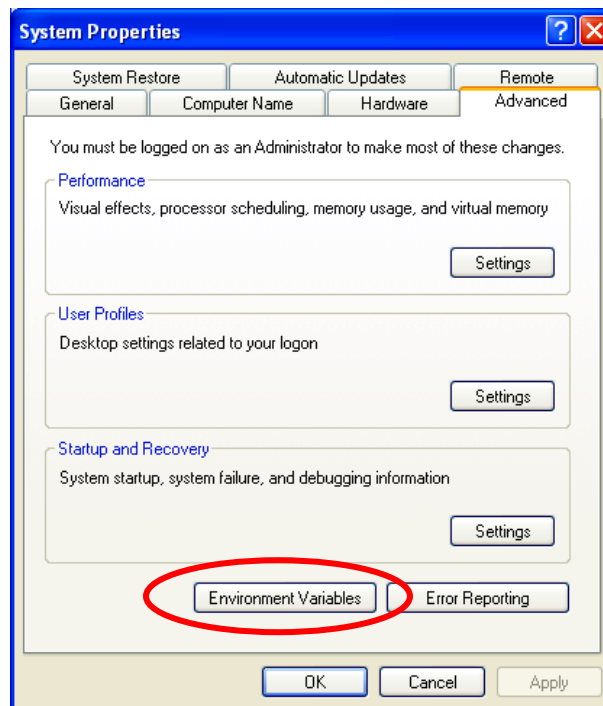
To verify that these paths are present in Windows and to make changes if required, start the Windows Control Panel by clicking “**Start – Control Panel**”.



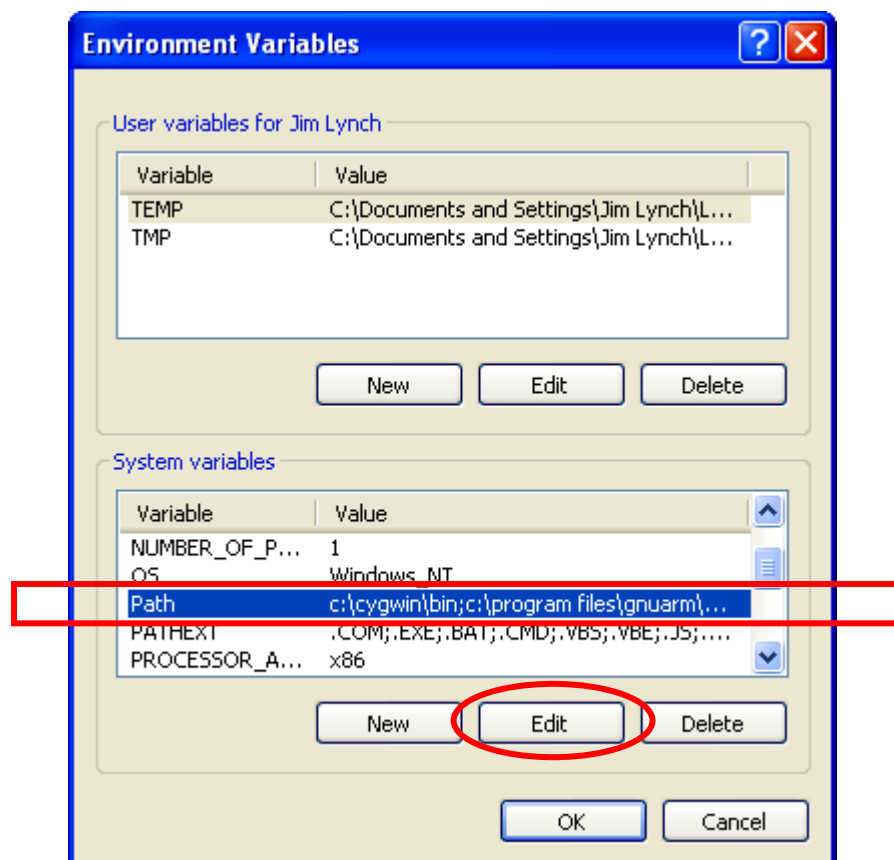
Now click on the “**Advanced**” tab below.



Now click on the “**Environment Variables**” button.

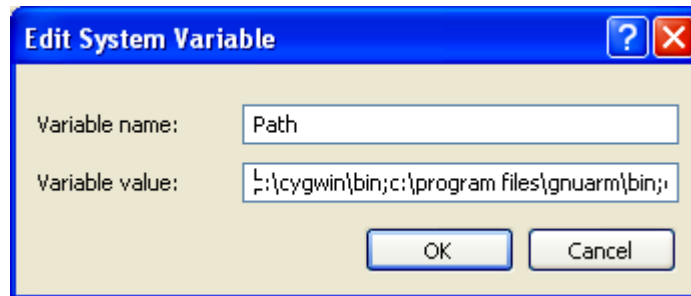


In the Environment Variables window, find the line for “**Path**” in the System Variables box on the bottom, click to select and highlight it and then click on “**Edit**”.





Take a very careful look at the “Edit System Variable” window (the Path Edit, in this case).



You should see the following paths specified, all separated by semicolons. The path is usually long and complex; you may find the bits and pieces for GNUARM interspersed throughout the path specification. I used cut and paste to place all my path specifications at the beginning of the specification (line); this is not really necessary.

You should see the following paths specified.

**c:\cygwin\bin;c:\program files\gnuarm\bin;c:\cygwin\usr\local\bin**

If any of the three is not present, now is the time to type them into the path specification.

I've found that not properly setting up the Path specification is the most common mistake made in configuring Eclipse to do cross-development.

This completes the setup of Eclipse and all the ancillary tools required to cross develop embedded software for the ARM microcomputer family (Philips LPC2000 family in specific).

If you stayed with me this far, as Yoda would say, “***Rewarded soon, your patience will be!***”

# Creating a Simple Eclipse Project

At this point, we have a fully-functioning Eclipse IDE capable of building C/C++ programs for the ARM microprocessor (specifically for the Olimex LPC-P2106 prototype board).

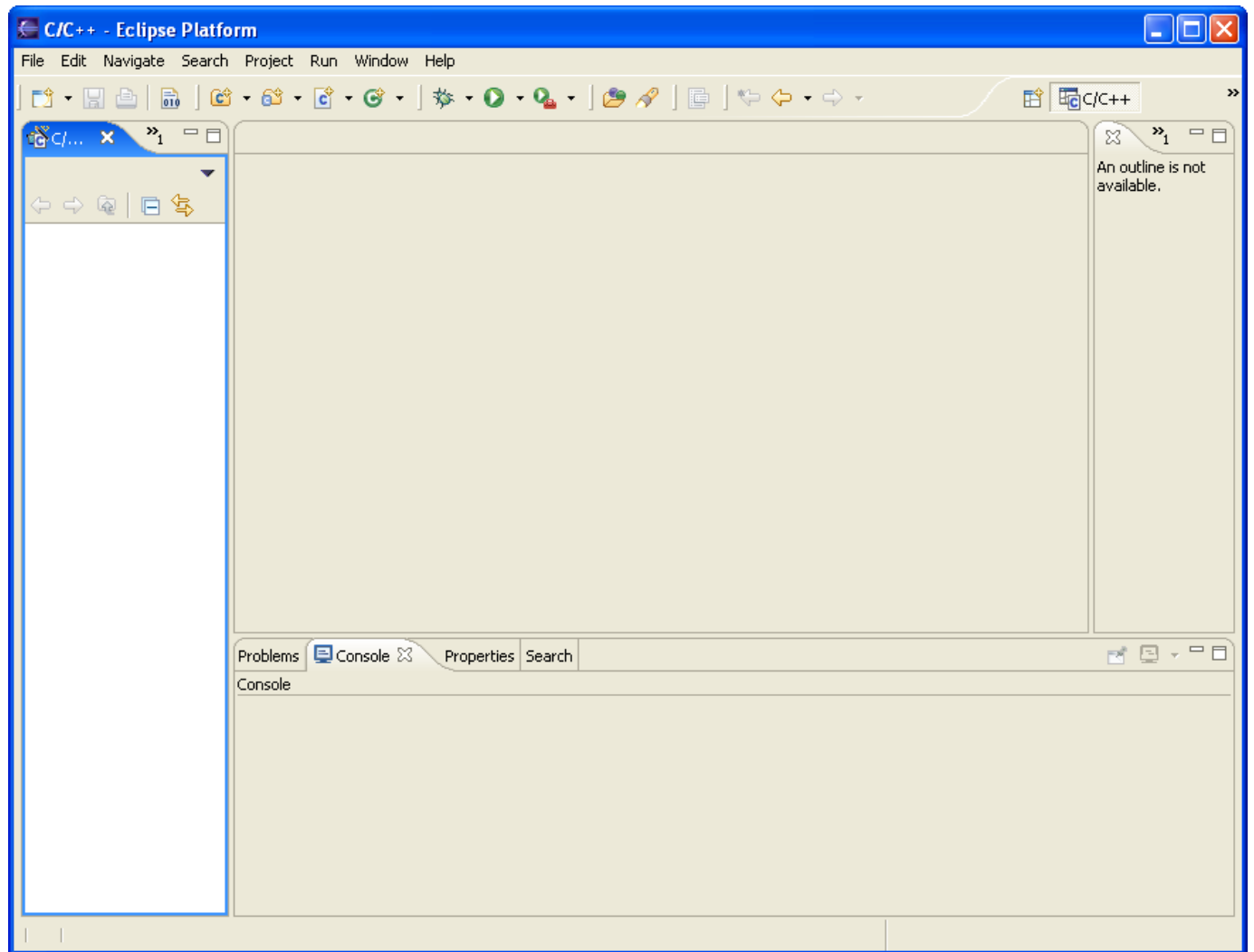
We will now create an Eclipse C project called “**demo2106\_blink\_flash**” that will blink the board’s red LED\_J which is I/O port **P0.7**. This demo uses no interrupts and runs totally out of onboard flash memory. It has been intentionally designed to be as simple and as straightforward as possible. Think of it as the embedded software equivalent of “Hello World!”

Click on our Eclipse desktop icon to start Eclipse.

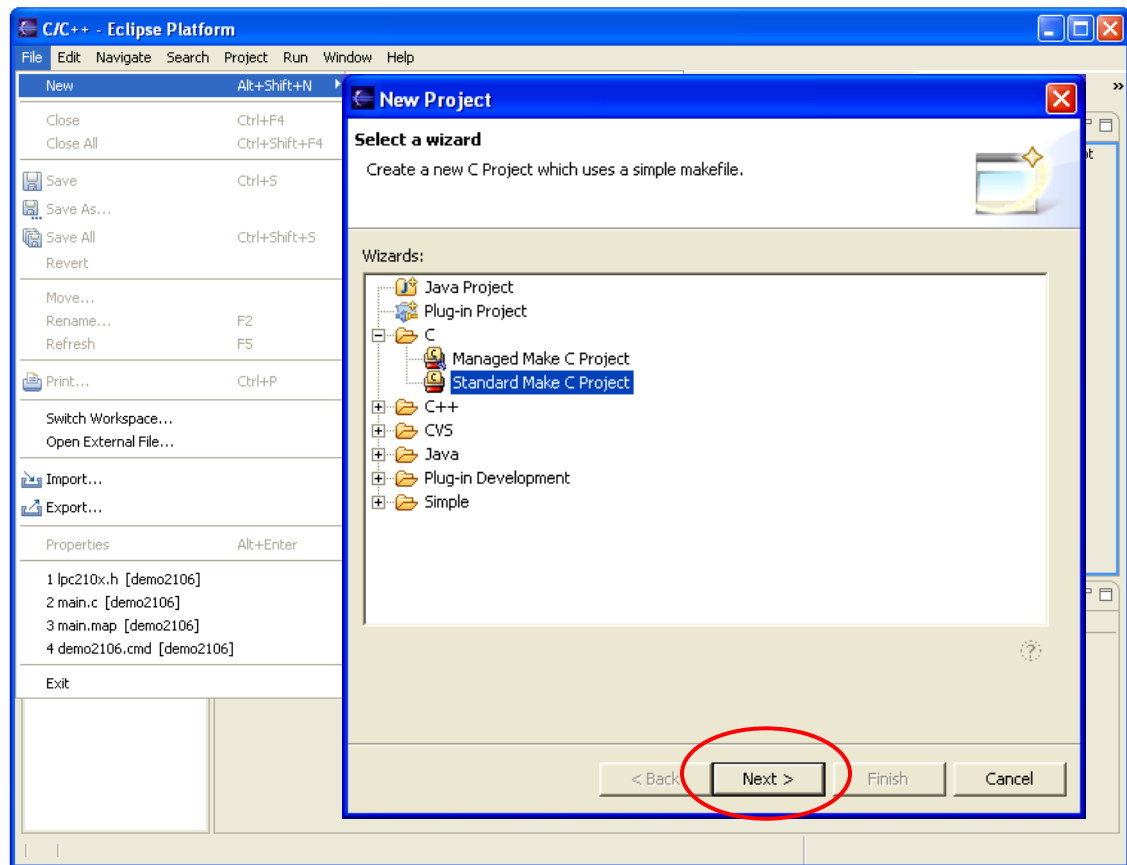


Eclipse should start and present the C/C++ perspective as shown below. Select “**Window - Open Perspective – Other - C/C++**” if you are not in the C/C++ perspective.

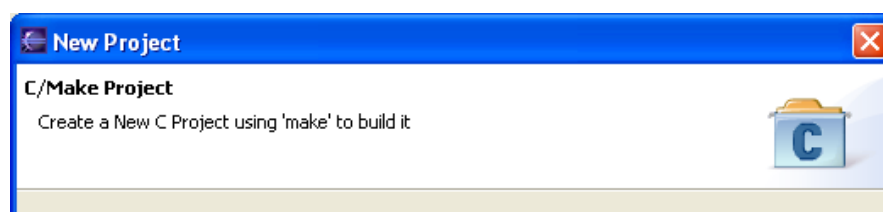




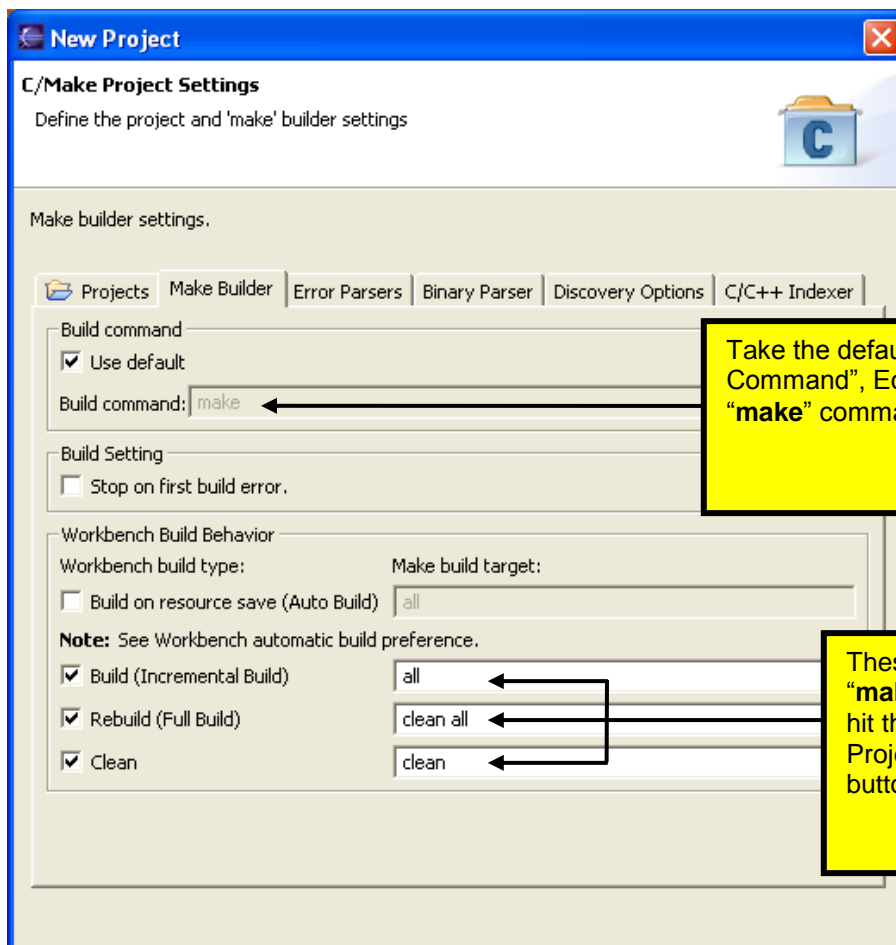
To create a project, select **File – New – New Project - Standard Make C Project** from the File pull-down menu and click “**Next**” to continue.



You should see the “New Project” dialog box and enter the project name (**demo2106\_blink\_flash**) in the box as shown below. Click on **Next** to continue.



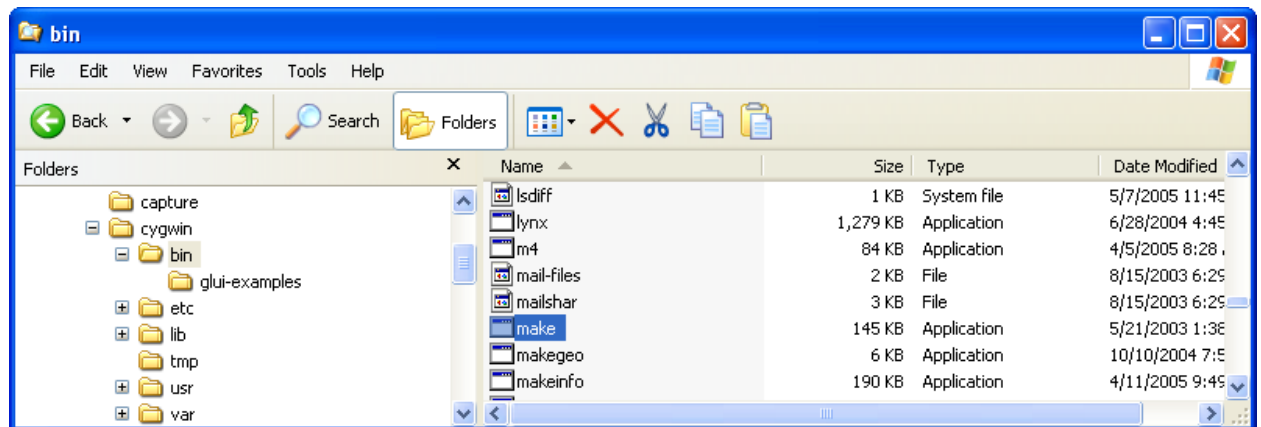
The **New Project** dialog box appears next. If you click on the “**Make Builder**” tab, you’ll notice that Eclipse build command is “**make**.” Make is provided by the Cygwin GNU tools.



Take the default on the “Build Command”, Eclipse will always issue a “**make**” command to build your project.

These are the targets that “**make**” will run when you hit the Build All, Build Project or Clean toolbar buttons.

Let's remind ourselves that we installed the Cygwin GNU tools earlier in the tutorial and the Windows Explorer will show that the **make.exe** file is indeed in the directory **c:/cygwin/bin**, as shown below.

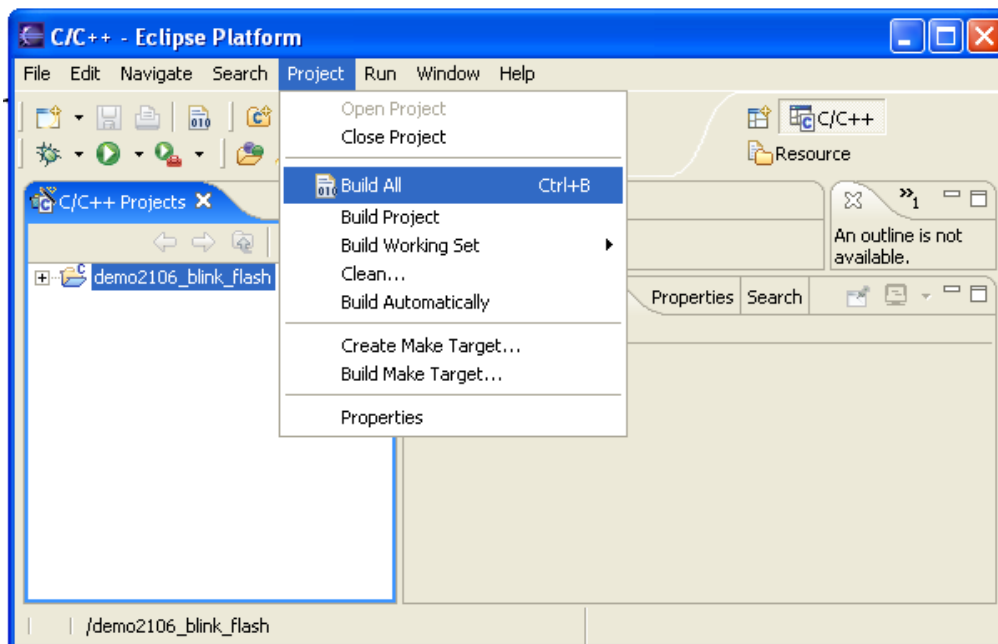


This is a good time to point out the differences between “Build All”, “Build Project” and “Clean.”

**Build All** It will first clean (delete) all object, list and output files.  
Then it will rebuild everything, whether needed or not.

**Build Project** This will not clean (delete) anything.  
It will only compile those source files that are “out-of-date.”

**Clean** Will clean (delete) all object, list and output files.

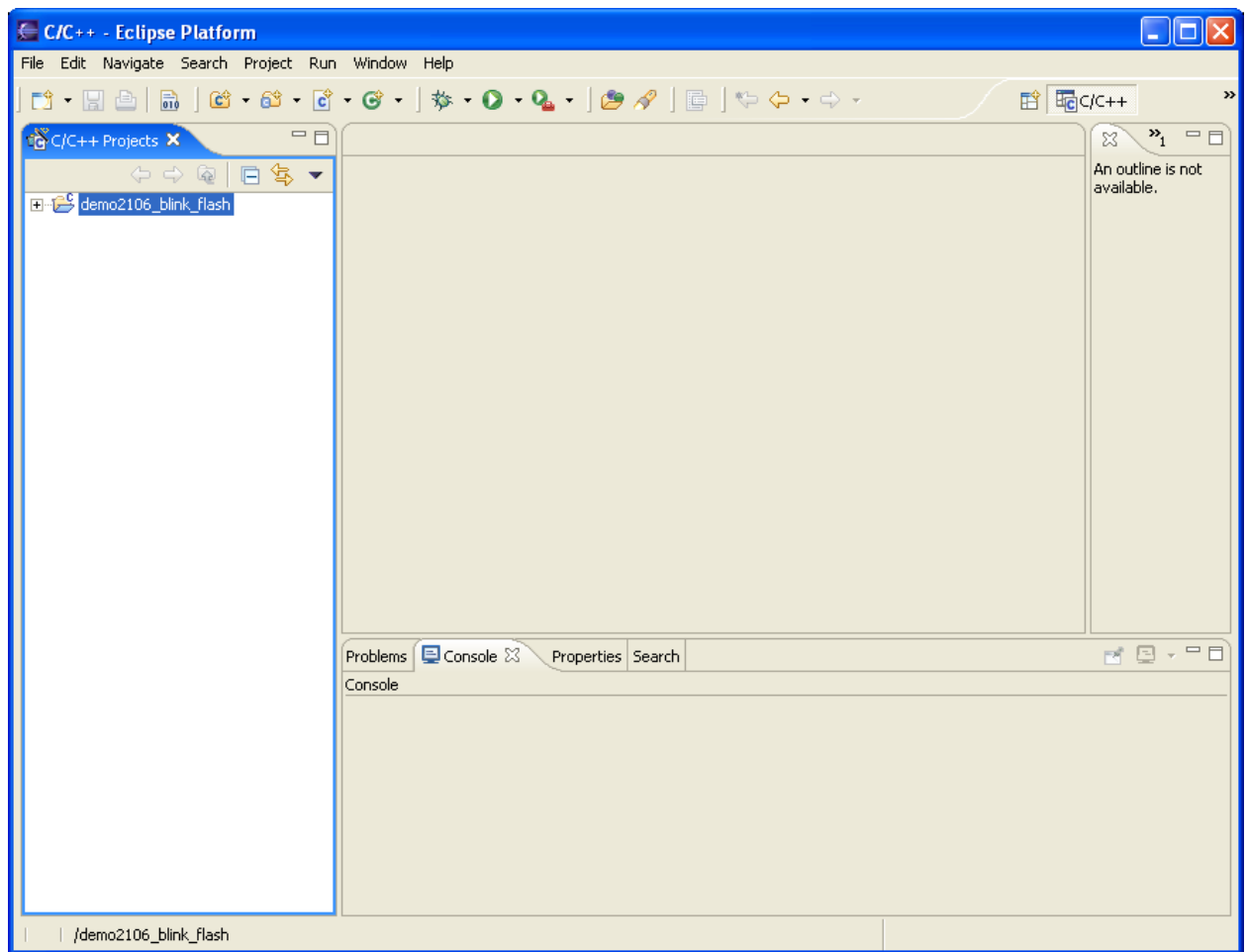


This is no different from opening up a DOS command window and typing the command in directly, such as.

```
> make clean all
```

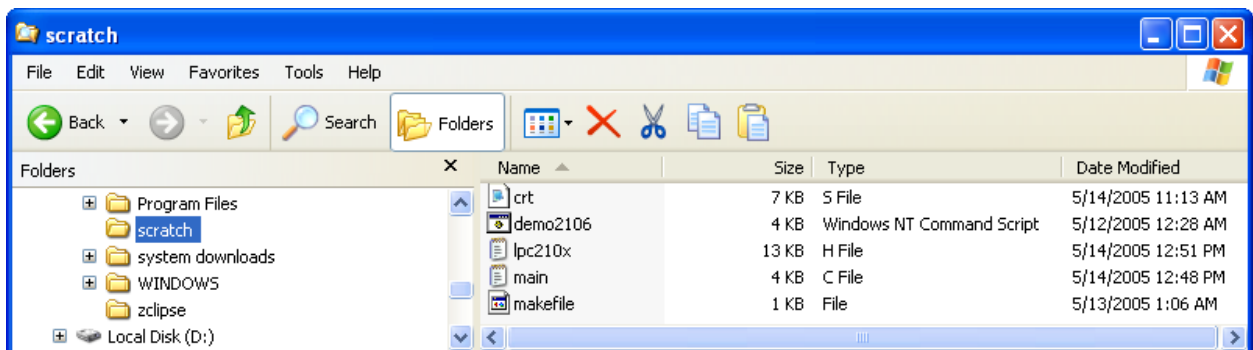
If you click “**Finish**” on the “New Project” dialog, Eclipse will return to the C/C++ Perspective.

Now the C/C++ perspective shows a bona fide project in the “C/C++ projects” box on the left. As of now, there are no source files created.

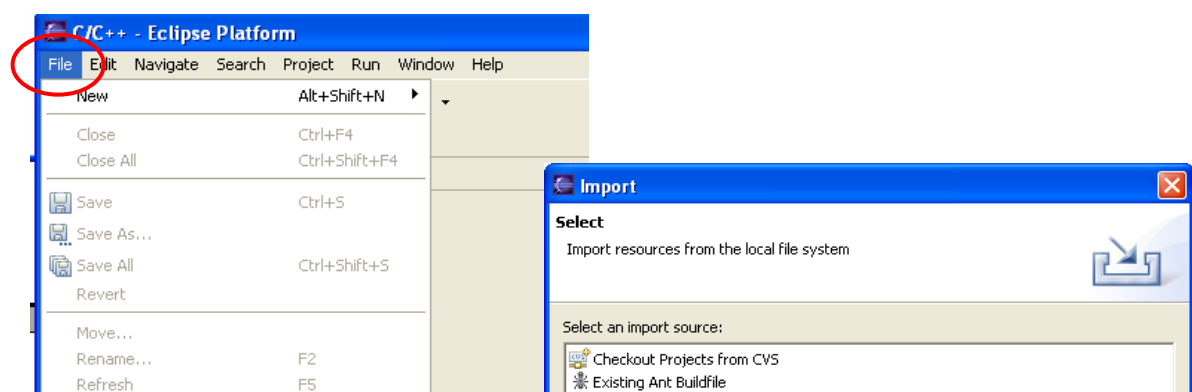


We can now use Eclipse/CDT's **import** feature to copy the source files into the project. The source files for the example projects are here: xxxxxxxxxx

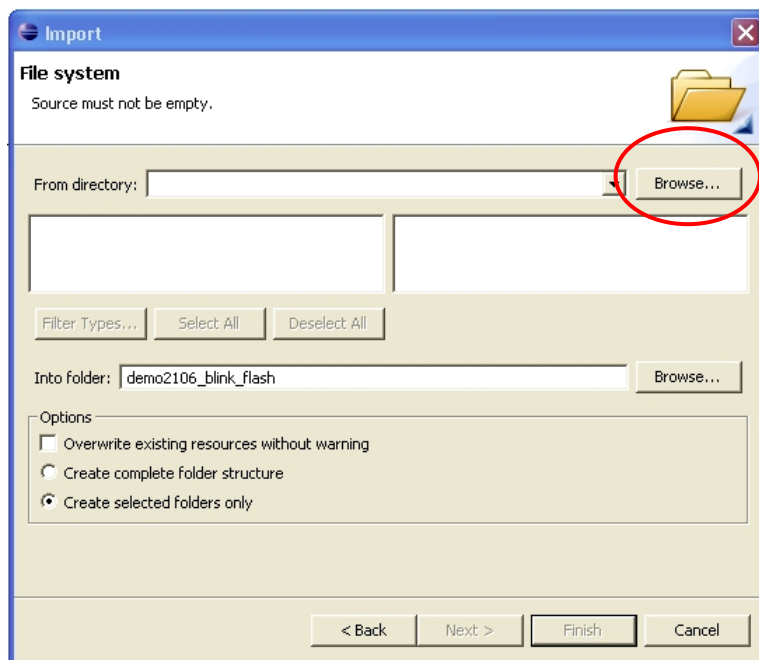
Assuming that you successfully unzipped the “**demo2106\_blink\_flash.zip**” project files associated with this tutorial to an empty directory such as **c:/scratch**, you should have the following source and make files in that directory.



Click on the “**File**” pull-down menu and then click on “**Import,**” then in the “**Import**” window, click on “**File System.**”

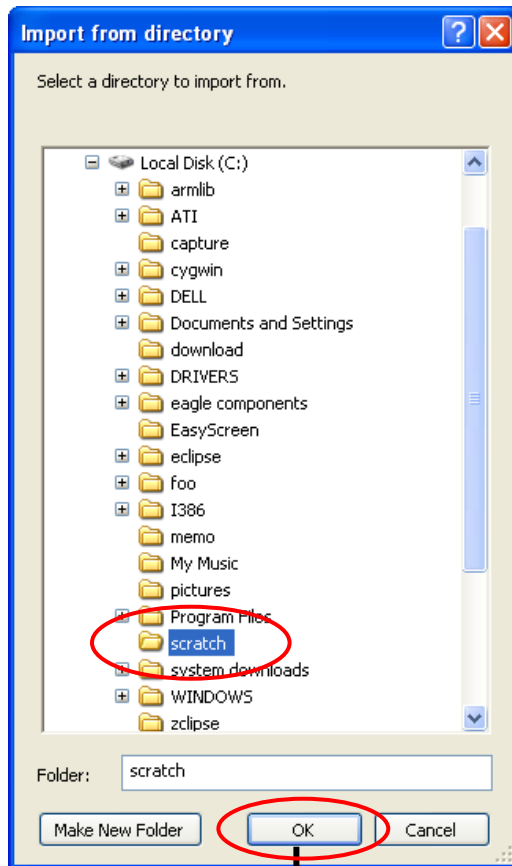


When the “**Import – File System**” window appears, click on the “**Browse**” button. Hunt for the sample project which is stored in the **c:/scratch/** directory.

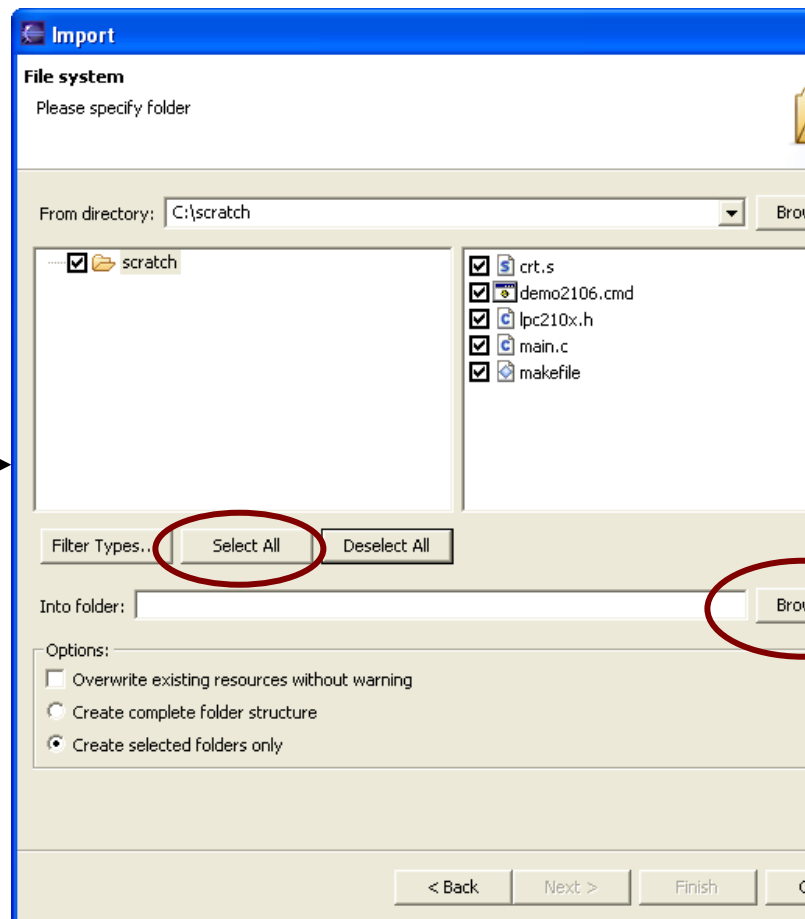




Click on the directory “**scratch**” and hit the “**OK**” button in the “Import from directory” window on the left below.



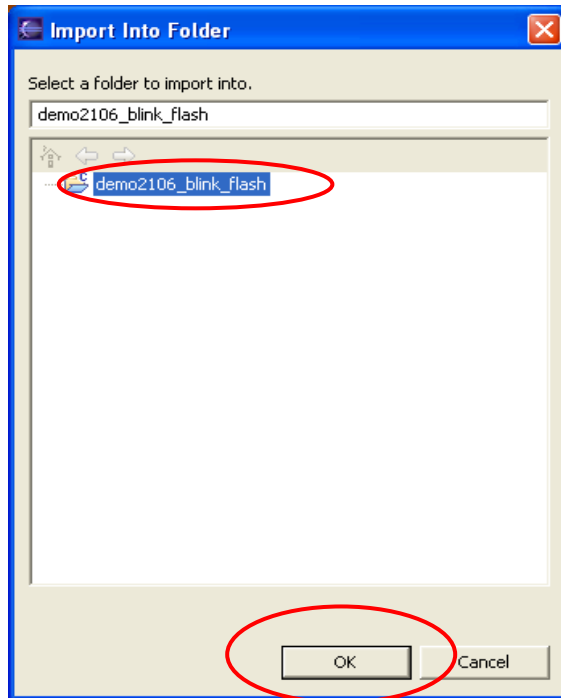
Click on “**Select All**” in the Import window below right to get the source files selected for import into our project.



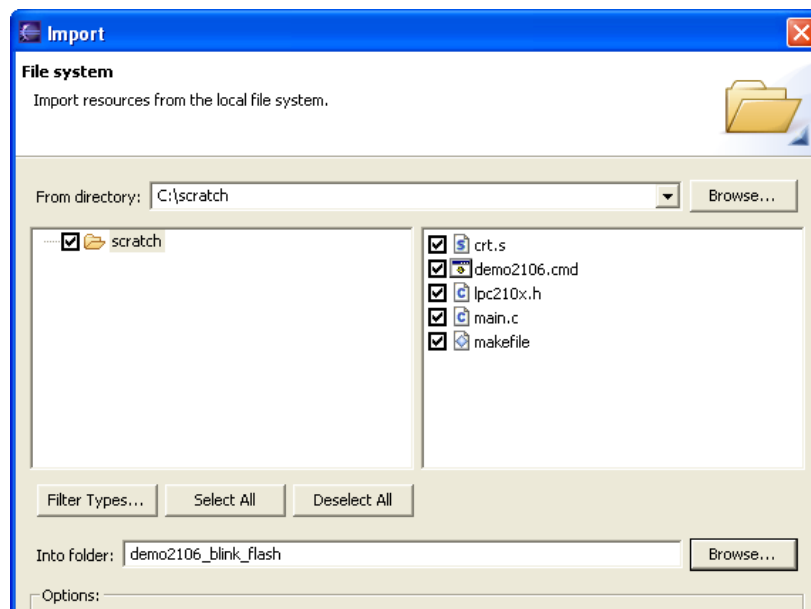
Now we have to indicate the destination for our source files. Click on “**Browse**” on the line to the right that says “**Into Folder:**”

The proper destination folder appears in the **Import Into Folder** window below.

Click on the folder name “**demo2106\_blink\_flash**” and click “**OK.**” The directory name “demo2106\_blink\_flash” should appear in the text box.

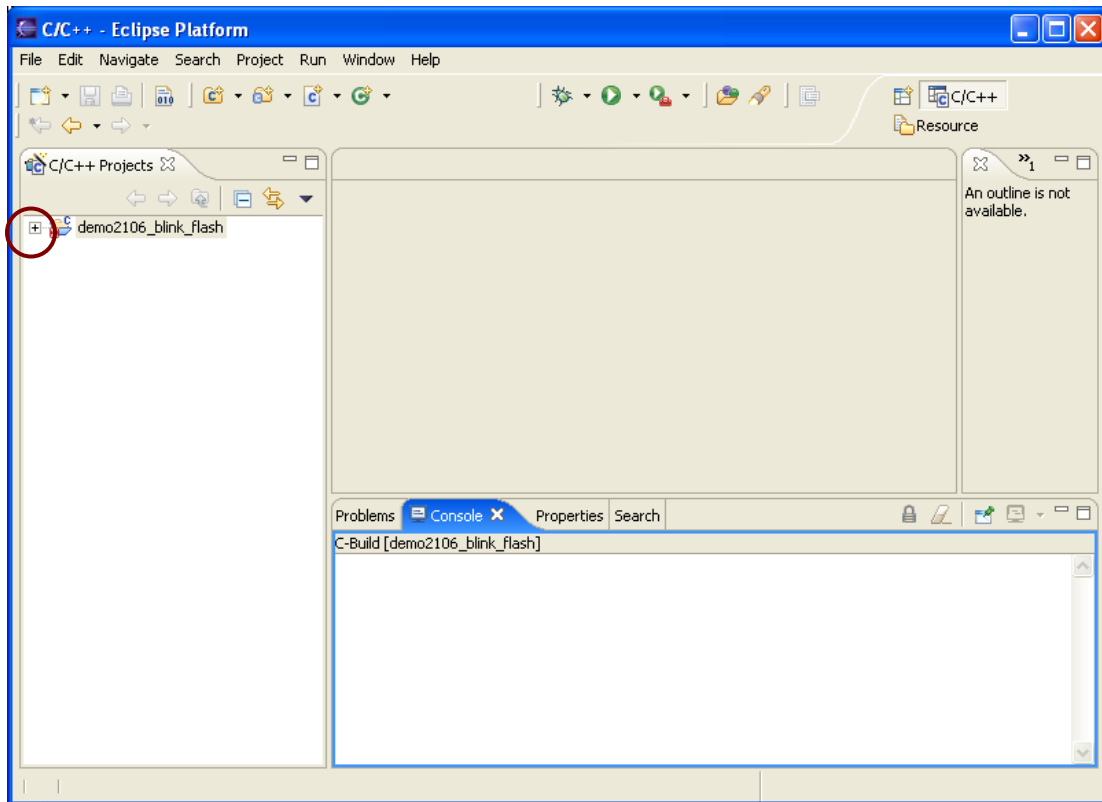


Now the Import dialog is completely filled out; we can click on “**Finish**” to actually import the source files into our project.

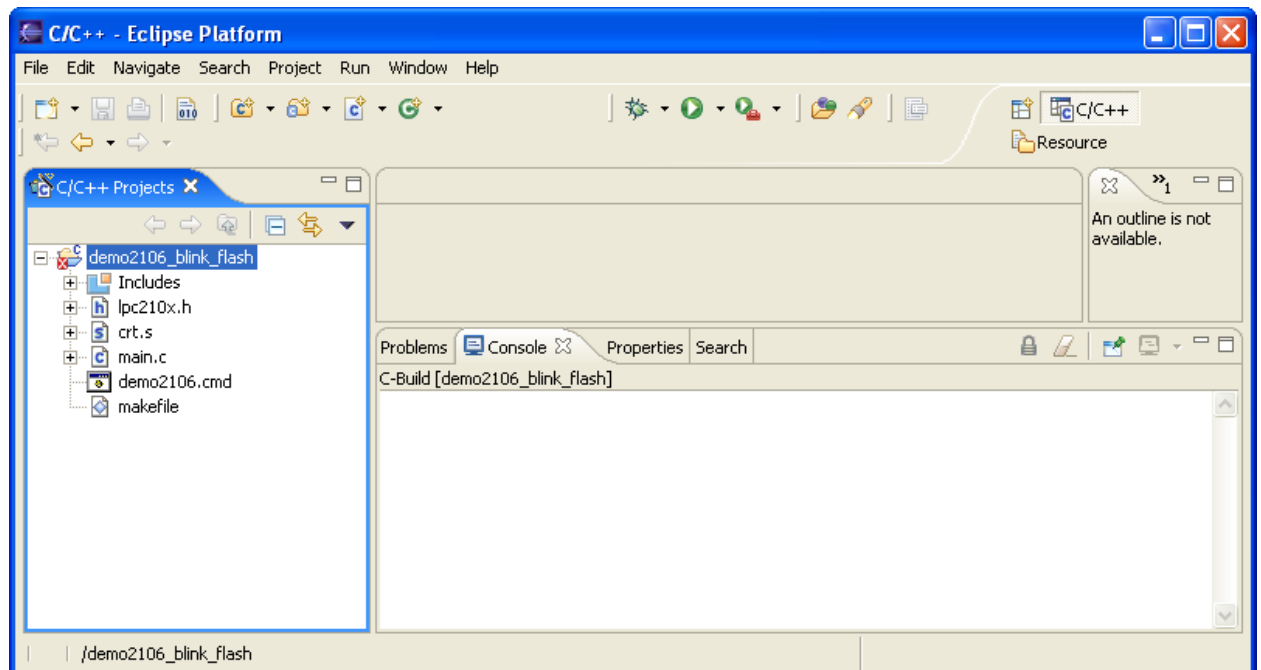




Now the C/C++ perspective main screen will reappear. Click on the “+” expand symbol in the navigator pane to see if our files have been transferred.



Success is at hand, the expanded Projects view in the Navigator pane on the left shows our imported files.



## Description of the LPC210X.H Include File

Let's look at the lpc210x.h header file. Double-click on it in the Project pane on the left.

ARM peripherals are memory-mapped, so all I/O registers are defined in this file so you don't have to type in the absolute memory addresses. This file is quite large.

```
//*****
//  LPC210X.H:  Header file for Philips LPC2104 / LPC2105 / LPC2106
//
//  *****

#ifndef __LPC210x_H
#define __LPC210x_H

/* Vectored Interrupt Controller (VIC) */
#define VICIRQStatus      (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xFFFFF000)
#define VICFIQStatus      (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xFFFFF004)
#define VICRawIntr        (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xFFFFF008)
#define VICIntSelect      (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xFFFFF00C)
#define VICIntEnable      (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xFFFFF010)
#define VICIntEnClr       (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xFFFFF014)
#define VICSoftInt        (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xFFFFF018)
#define VICSoftIntClr     (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xFFFFF01C)
#define VICProtection     (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xFFFFF020)

/* Pin Connect Block */
#define PINSEL0            (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xE002C000)
#define PINSEL1            (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xE002C004)

/* General Purpose Input/Output (GPIO) */
#define IOPIN              (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xE0028000)
#define IOSET              (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xE0028004)
#define IODIR              (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xE0028008)
#define IOCLR              (*(volatile unsigned long *) 0xE002800C)

. . . file continues . . .
```

For example, to set bit 7 of P0, we can simply write:

```
IOSET = 0x00000080;    // turn P0.7 (red LED) off
```

## Description of the Startup File CRT.S

Now let's look on the startup assembler file, `crt.s`.

```
/* *****
```

crt.s

STARTUP ASSEMBLY CODE

Module includes the interrupt vectors and start-up code.

\*\*\*\*\*



/\* Stack Sizes \*/

.set UND\_STACK\_SIZE, 0x00000004 /\* stack for "undefined instruction" interrupt \*/  
.set ABT\_STACK\_SIZE, 0x00000004 /\* stack for "abort" interrupts is 4 bytes \*/  
.set FIQ\_STACK\_SIZE, 0x00000004 /\* stack for "FIQ" interrupts is 4 bytes \*/  
.set IRQ\_STACK\_SIZE, 0x00000004 /\* stack for "IRQ" normal interrupts is 4 bytes \*/  
.set SVC\_STACK\_SIZE, 0x00000004 /\* stack for "SVC" supervisor mode is 4 bytes \*/

/\* Standard definitions of Mode bits and Interrupt (I & F) flags in PSRs (program status registers) \*/

.set MODE\_USR, 0x10 /\* Normal User Mode \*/  
.set MODE\_FIQ, 0x11 /\* FIQ Processing Fast Interrupts Mode \*/  
.set MODE\_IRQ, 0x12 /\* IRQ Processing Standard Interrupts Mode \*/  
.set MODE\_SVC, 0x13 /\* Supervisor Processing Software Interrupts Mode \*/  
.set MODE\_ABT, 0x17 /\* Abort Processing memory Faults Mode \*/  
.set MODE\_UND, 0x1B /\* Undefined Processing Undefined Instruction Mode \*/  
.set MODE\_SYS, 0x1F /\* System Running Privileged Operating System Mode \*/

.set I\_BIT, 0x80 /\* when I bit is set, IRQ is disabled (program status register) \*/  
.set F\_BIT, 0x40 /\* when F bit is set, FIQ is disabled (program status register) \*/




/\* GNU assembler controls \*/

.text /\* all assembler code that follows will go in text section \*/  
.arm /\* compile for 32-bit ARM instruction set \*/  
.align /\* align section on 32-bit boundary \*/

/\* Global symbols \*/

.global Reset\_Handler  
.global \_startup

/\* Exception Vectors \*/

\_startup:      ldr      PC, Reset\_Addr  
                 ldr      PC, Undef\_Addr  
                 ldr      PC, SWI\_Addr  
                 ldr      PC, PAbt\_Addr  
                 ldr      PC, DAbt\_Addr  
                  nop  
                 ldr      PC, [PC, #-0xFF0]  
                 ldr      PC, FIQ\_Addr

/\* Reserved Vector (holds Philips ISP) \*/  
/\* see page 71 of "Insiders Guide to the ARM7-Based Microcontrollers" by Trevor

Reset\_Addr:      .word      Reset\_Handler      /\* defined in this module below \*/  
Undef\_Addr:      .word      UNDEF\_Routine      /\* defined in main.c \*/  
SWI\_Addr:      .word      SWI\_Routine      /\* defined in main.c \*/  
PAbt\_Addr:      .word      UNDEF\_Routine      /\* defined in main.c \*/  
DAbt\_Addr:      .word      UNDEF\_Routine      /\* defined in main.c \*/  
IRQ\_Addr:      .word      IRQ\_Routine      /\* defined in main.c \*/

```

FIQ_Addr:      .word    FIQ_Routine          /* defined in main.c */
               .word    0                  /* rounds the vectors and ISR addresses

/* Reset Handler */
Reset_Handler:
               /* Setup a stack for each mode - note that this only sets up a usable
               for User mode. Also each mode is setup with interrupts initially

               ldr     r0, =_stack_end
               msr     CPSR_c, #MODE_UND|I_BIT|F_BIT      /* Undefined Instruction Mode
               mov     sp, r0
               sub     r0, r0, #UND_STACK_SIZE
               msr     CPSR_c, #MODE_ABT|I_BIT|F_BIT      /* Abort Mode */
               mov     sp, r0
               sub     r0, r0, #ABT_STACK_SIZE
               msr     CPSR_c, #MODE_FIQ|I_BIT|F_BIT      /* FIQ Mode */
               mov     sp, r0
               sub     r0, r0, #FIQ_STACK_SIZE
               msr     CPSR_c, #MODE_IRQ|I_BIT|F_BIT      /* IRQ Mode */
               mov     sp, r0
               sub     r0, r0, #IRQ_STACK_SIZE
               msr     CPSR_c, #MODE_SVC|I_BIT|F_BIT      /* Supervisor Mode */
               mov     sp, r0
               sub     r0, r0, #SVC_STACK_SIZE
               msr     CPSR_c, #MODE_SYS|I_BIT|F_BIT      /* System Mode */
               mov     sp, r0


               /* copy .data section (Copy from ROM to RAM) */
               ldr     R1, =_etext
               ldr     R2, =_data
               ldr     R3, =_edata
1:             cmp     R2, R3
               ldrlo   R0, [R1], #4
               strlo   R0, [R2], #4
               blo     1b

               /* Clear .bss section (Zero init) */
               mov     R0, #0
               ldr     R1, =_bss_start
               ldr     R2, =_bss_end
2:             cmp     R1, R2
               strlo   R0, [R1], #4
               blo     2b

               /* Enter the C code */
               b       main

.end


```

The first part of the **crt.s** file above has some symbols set to the various stack sizes and mode bits. 

The next part  of the **crt.s** file, shown above, sets up the interrupt vectors.



Note that all of the code and data that follows goes into the **.text** section. It is also in ARM 32-bit code (not Thumb). Two labels are made global, **\_startup** and **Reset\_Handler**. These will be available to other modules in the project and will also appear in the map. The GNU assembler doesn't require you **.extern** anything. If a symbol is not defined in the assembler file, it is automatically assumed to be external and defined elsewhere. The vector table is 32 bytes long and is **required** to be placed at address 0x000000. You will see later in this tutorial that the interrupt service routines referenced in the Vector Table are just endless-loop stubs in the main.c function and the interrupts are turned off.

The **NOP** instruction  at address 14 in the vector table is an empty spot to hold the checksum. Page 179 of the Philips LPC2106 manual states:


**The reserved ARM interrupt vector location (0x0000 0014) should contain the 2's complement of the check-sum of the remaining interrupt vectors. This causes the checksum of all of the vectors together to be 0.**

Before you fall on your sword, you'll be happy to know that the Philips Flash Loader and OpenOCD will calculate that checksum and insert it for you. That's why we show it as a NOP.

One of my favorite bits of ARM magic is this instruction, in the vector table above:

**ldr PC, [PC, #-0xFF0]**

This instruction, the IRQ vector, is at address 0x00000018. Adding 8 to that to account for the pipeline, we get an effective address of 0x00000020 which is where the PC really is in the pipeline at this instant. Subtracting 0xFF0 from this gives an address of 0xFFFFF20 which just happens to be the Vector Address Register (which contains the address of the IRQ interrupt service routine that should be run). Therefore, this single instruction loads into the PC the address of the IRQ exception routine that should be executed. An excellent description of this may be found on page 319 in the book **"ARM System Developer's Guide"** by Andrew N Sloss, Dominic Symes and Chris Wright.

The next part  of **crt.s**, shown above, sets up the various interrupt modes and stacks.

The label **Reset\_Handler** is the beginning of the startup code. Recall that the first interrupt vector at address 0x000000 loads the PC with the contents of the address **Reset\_Addr**, which itself contains the address of the startup code at the label **Reset\_Handler**. This trick, used in the entire vector table, loads a 32-bit constant into the PC and thus can jump to any address in memory space. If you had instead placed a simple branch immediate instruction in the vector table, you'd be limited to the 24-bit immediate destination (16777216 bytes from the vector table).

```
_vectors:      ldr    PC, Reset_Addr
                :
Reset_Addr:    .word  Reset_Handler
```

Whenever the LPC2106 is reset, the instruction at 0x000000 is executed first; it jumps to **Reset\_Handler**. From that point, we are off and running!

The first part of the startup code above sets up the stacks and the mode bits.

The symbol **\_stack\_end** will be defined in the linker command script file **demo2106.cmd**. Here is how it will be defined. Knowing that the Philips ISP Flash Loader will use the very top 288 bytes of RAM for its internal stack and variables, we'll start our application stacks at **0x4000FEE0** (Note:  $0x40010000 - 0x120 = 0x4000FEE0$ ).

```
/* define a global symbol _stack_end, placed at the very end of RAM
(minus 4 bytes) */
stack_end = 0x4000FEE0 - 4;
```

Working that out with the Windows calculator, the **\_stack\_end** is placed at **4000FEDC**.

The five modes undefined, irq, fiq, abort and svc all have their own private copies of R13 (sp) and r14 (link return). The FIQ mode has additionally private copies of registers R8 – R14.

The code snippet that sets up the stacks and modes is a bit complex, so let's explain it a bit.

First we load R0 with the address of the end of the stack, as described above.

```
ldr r0,=_stack_end
```

Now we put the ARM into Undefined Instruction mode by setting the **MODE\_UND** bit in the Current Program Status Register (CPSR). Thus, by writing R0 into the stack pointer sp (R13), it will use **0x4000FEDC** as the initial stack pointer if we ever have processing of an undefined instruction. As mentioned above, Undefined Instruction mode has its own private copies of R13 and R14. By subtracting the undefined stack size (4 bytes) from R0, we're limiting the stack for UND mode to just 4 bytes.

```
msr CPSR_c, #MODE_UND|I_BIT|F_BIT          /* This puts the CPU
in undefined mode */
mov sp, r0                                  /* stack pointer for
UND mode is 0x4000FEDC */
sub r0, r0, #UND_STACK_SIZE                /* Register R0 is now
0x4000FED8 */
```

Now we put the ARM into Abort mode by setting the **MODE\_ABT** bit in the CPSR. As mentioned above, abort mode has its own private copies of R13 and R14. We now set the abort mode stack pointer to **0x4000FED8**. Again by subtracting the abort stack size from R0, we're limiting the stack for ABT mode to just 4 bytes.

```
msr CPSR_c, #MODE_ABT|I_BIT|F_BIT          /* this puts CPU in
Abort mode */
mov sp, r0                                  /* stack pointer for
ABT mode is 0x4000FED8 */
sub r0, r0, #ABT_STACK_SIZE                /* Register R0 is now
0x4000FED4 */
```

Now we put the ARM into FIQ (fast interrupt) mode by setting the **MODE\_FIQ** bit in the CPSR. As mentioned above, FIQ mode has its own private copies of R14 through R8. We now set the abort mode stack pointer to **0x4000FED4**. Again by subtracting the abort stack size from R0, we're limiting the stack for FIQ mode to just 4 bytes. We're not planning to support FIQ interrupts in this example.

```

    msr CPSR_c, #MODE_FIQ|I_BIT|F_BIT          /* this puts CPU in
FIQ mode */
    mov sp, r0                                  /* stack pointer for
FIQ mode is 0x4000FED4
    sub r0, r0, #FIQ_STACK_SIZE                /* Register R0 is now
0x4000FED0 */

```

Now we put the ARM into IRQ (normal interrupt) mode by setting the MODE\_IRQ bit in the CPSR. As mentioned above, IRQ mode has its own private copies of R13 and R14. We now set the IRQ mode stack pointer to 0x4000FDE0. Again by subtracting the IRQ stack size from R0, we're limiting the stack for IRQ mode to just 4 bytes. We're not planning to support IRQ interrupts in this example.

```

    msr CPSR_c, #MODE_IRQ|I_BIT|F_BIT          /* this puts the CPU in
IRQ mode */
    mov sp, r0                                  /* stack pointer for
IRQ mode is 0x4000FED0 */
    sub r0, r0, #IRQ_STACK_SIZE                /* R0 is now
0x4000FECC */

```

Now we put the ARM into SVC (Supervisor) mode by setting the MODE\_SVC bit in the CPSR. As mentioned above, SVC mode has its own private copies of R13 and R14. We now set the supervisor mode stack pointer to 0x4000FDDC. Again by subtracting the SVC stack size from R0, we're sizing the stack for SVC mode to 4 bytes.

```

    msr CPSR_c, #MODE_SVC|I_BIT|F_BIT          /* This puts the CPU
in SVC mode */
    mov sp, r0                                  /* stack pointer for
SVC mode is 0x4000FECC */
    sub r0, r0, #SVC_STACK_SIZE                /* R0 is now
0x4000FEC8 */

```

The ARM "User" mode and the ARM "System" mode share the same registers and stack. For this very simple example, we'll run the application in "System" mode. Setting up the stack for System mode also sets up the stack for System mode. System mode is the same as User mode but it has more privileges.

Finally we put the ARM into SYSTEM (sys) mode by setting the MODE\_SYS bit in the CPSR. We now set the SYS mode stack pointer to 0x4000FEC8.

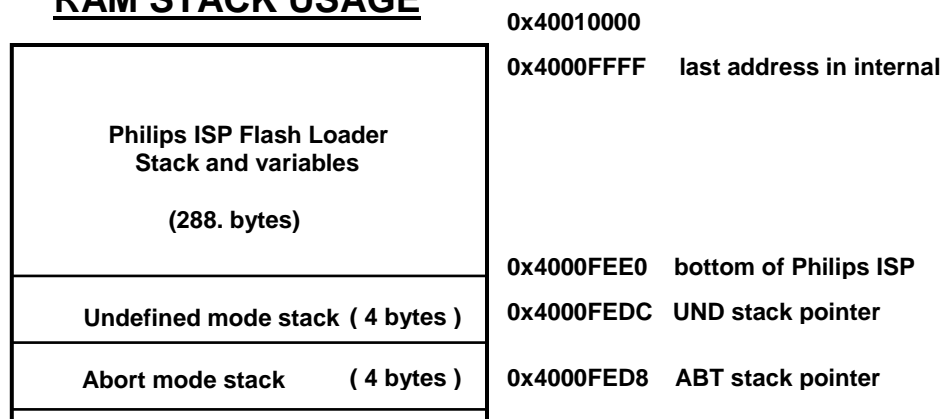
```


    msr CPSR_c, #MODE_SYS|I_BIT|F_BIT          /* System Mode */
    mov sp, r0

```

To summarize the above operations, let's draw a diagram of the stacks we just created.

## RAM STACK USAGE



The next part  of the startup file `crt.s` initializes the **.data** and **.bss** sections, as shown above.

The **.data** section contains all the initialized static and global variables. The GNU linker will create an exact copy of the variables in flash with the correct initial values loaded and place this copy right after the last **.text** section created. The onus is on the programmer to copy this initialized flash copy of the data to RAM.

The location of the start of the **.data** section in flash is defined by symbol **\_etext** (defined in the linker command script **demo2106.cmd**). Likewise, the location of the start and end of the **.data** section in destination RAM is given by the symbols **\_data** and **\_edata**. Both of these symbols are defined in the linker command script.

The **.bss** section contains all the uninitialized static and global variables. All we have to do here is clear this area. Likewise, the location of the start and end of the **.bss** section in destination RAM is given by the symbols **\_bss\_start** and **\_bss\_end**. Both of these symbols are defined in the linker command script.

Two simple assembly language loops load the **.data** section in RAM with the initializers in flash and clear out the **.bss** section in RAM.

The GNU linker specifies two addresses for sections, the Virtual Memory Address (**VMA**) and the Load memory Address (**LMA**). The **VMA** is the final destination for the section; for the **.data** section, this is the RAM address where it will reside. The **LMA** is where it will be loaded in Flash memory, the exact copy with the initial values. The GNU Linker will sort this out for us.

## Description of the Main Program `main.c`

Now let's look at the main program.

The main program starts out with a few function prototypes. Note that the interrupt routines mentioned in the `crt.s` assembler program reside in the **main()** program. We've used the GNU C compiler syntax that identifies the interrupt routines and makes sure that the compiler will save and restore registers, etc. whenever the interrupt is asserted.

I've also included a few do-nothing variables, both initialized and uninitialized, to illustrate that the compiler will put the initialized variables into the **.data** section and the uninitialized ones into the **.bss** section.

```
// *****
//
//                                     main()
//
//      main program blinks the red LED P0.7 in an endless loop
```

```

//
//      does not use interrupts!
//      this is the embedded software world's equivalent of "Hello World"
//
// *****

// *****
//      Function declarations
// ***** */
void Initialize(void);
void feed(void);

void IRQ_Routine (void)    __attribute__ ((interrupt("IRQ")));
void FIQ_Routine (void)    __attribute__ ((interrupt("FIQ")));
void SWI_Routine (void)    __attribute__ ((interrupt("SWI")));
void UNDEF_Routine (void)  __attribute__ ((interrupt("UNDEF")));

// *****
//      Header files
// ***** /
#include "LPC210x.h"

//*****
//      Global Variables
// ***** /
int      q;                // global uninitialized variable
int      r;                // global uninitialized variable
int      s;                // global uninitialized variable

short h = 2;               // global initialized variable
short i = 3;               // global initialized variable
char j = 6;                // global initialized variable

// *****
//      MAIN
// ***** /
int main (void) {

    int      j;              // loop counter (stack variable)
    static int a,b,c;        // static uninitialized variable
    static char d;           // static uninitialized variable
    static int w = 1;        // static initialized variable
    static long x = 5;       // static initialized variable
    static char y = 0x04;    // static initialized variable
    static int z = 7;        // static initialized variable
    const char *pText = "The Rain in Spain"; // pointer to const text

    // Initialize the system
    Initialize();

    // set io pins for led P0.7

```

```

    IODIR |= 0x00000080;    // pin P0.7 is an output, everything else is input after
    IOSET = 0x00000080;    // led off
    IOCLR = 0x00000080;    // led on

    // endless loop to toggle the red LED P0.7
    while (1) {

        for (j = 0; j < 500000; j++ );           // wait 500 msec
        IOSET = 0x00000080;                       // red led off
        for (j = 0; j < 500000; j++ );           // wait 500 msec
        IOCLR = 0x00000080;                       // red led on
    }

// *****
//                               Initialize
// *****/
#define PLOCK 0x400

void Initialize(void) {

    //                               Setting the Phased Lock Loop (PLL)
    //                               -----
    //
    // Olimex LPC-P2106 has a 14.7456 mhz crystal
    //
    // We'd like the LPC2106 to run at 53.2368 mhz (has to be an even multiple of cr
    //
    // According to the Philips LPC2106 manual:  M = cclk / Fosc  where: M = PLL mu
    //                                                    cclk = 532
    //                                                    Fosc = 147
    //
    // Solving: M = 53236800 / 14745600 = 3.6103515625
    //              M = 4 (round up)
    //
    //              Note: M - 1 must be entered into bits 0-4 of PLLCFG (assign 3
    //
    // The Current Controlled Oscillator (CCO) must operate in the range 156 mhz to 3
    //
    // According to the Philips LPC2106 manual:  Fcco = cclk * 2 * P  where: Fcco
    //                                                    cclk
    //                                                    P =
    PLLCFG)
    //
    // Solving: Fcco = 53236800 * 2 * P
    //              P = 2 (trial value)
    //              Fcco = 53236800 * 2 * 2
    //              Fcco = 212947200 hz (good choice for P since it's within th
    //
    // From Table 19 (page 48) of Philips LPC2106 manual  P = 2, PLLCFG bits 5-6 =
    //

```

```

        // Finally:      PLLCFG = 0  01  00011  =  0x23
        //
        // Final note: to load PLLCFG register, we must use the 0xAA followed 0x55 write
register
        //
        //          this is done in the short function feed() below
        //

        // Setting Multiplier and Divider values
        PLLCFG=0x23;
        feed();

        // Enabling the PLL */
        PLLCON=0x1;
        feed();

        // Wait for the PLL to lock to set frequency
        while (!(PLLSTAT & PLOCK)) ;

        // Connect the PLL as the clock source
        PLLCON=0x3;
        feed();

        // Enabling MAM and setting number of clocks used for Flash memory fetch (4 cclk)
        MAMCR=0x2;
        MAMTIM=0x4;

        // Setting peripheral Clock (pclk) to System Clock (cclk)
        VPBDIV=0x1;
    }

    void feed(void) {
        PLLFEED=0xAA;
        PLLFEED=0x55;
    }

    // *****
    // Stubs for various interrupts (may be replaced later) */
    // *****
    void IRQ_Routine (void) {
        while (1) ;
    }

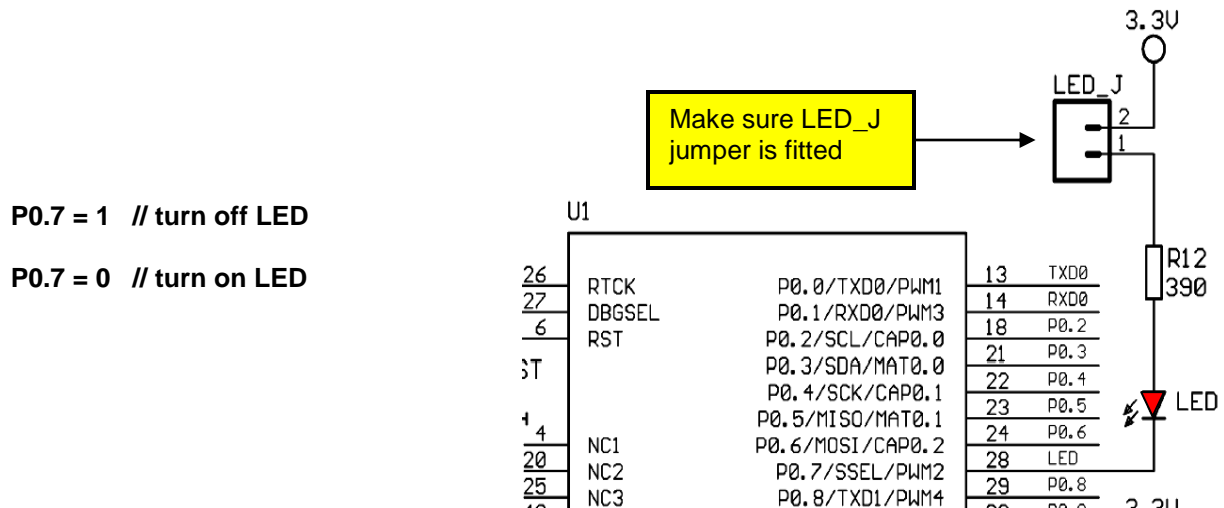
    void FIQ_Routine (void) {
        while (1) ;
    }

    void SWI_Routine (void) {
        while (1) ;
    }

    void UNDEF_Routine (void) {
        while (1) ;
    }

```

We're going to try to toggle a single I/O bit, specifically P0.7 which is the Olimex red LED.



The Philips LPC2106 has 32 I/O pins, labeled **P0.0** through **P0.31**. Most of these pins have two or three possible uses. For example, pin **P0.7** has three possible uses; digital I/O port, SPI Slave Select and PWM output 2. Normally, you select which function to use with the Pin Connect Block. The Pin Connect Block is composed of two 32-bit registers, PINSEL0 and PINSEL1. Each Pin Select register has two bits for each I/O pin, allowing at least three functions for each pin to be specified.

For example, pin **P0.7** is controlled by **PINSEL0**, bits 14 – 15. The following specification would select PWM2 output.

**PINSEL0 = 0x00008000; // set PINSEL0 bits 14 – 15 to 01**

Fortunately, the Pin Connect Block resets to zero, meaning that all port pins are General-Purpose I/O bits. So we don't have to bother with the Pin Select registers in this example.

We do have to set the I/O Direction for port **P0.7**; this can be done in this way.

 **IODIR |= 0x00000080; // set IO Direction register, P0.7 as output**

**// 1 = output, 0 = input**

The ARM I/O ports are manipulated by register **IOSET** and register **IOCLR**. You never directly write to the I/O Port! You set a bit in the **IOSET** register to set the port bit and you set a bit in the **IOCLR** register to clear the port bit. This little nuance will trip up novice and experienced programmers alike. Alert readers will ask; "What if both bits are set in IOSET and IOCLR?" The answer is "Last one wins." The last IOSET or IOCLR instruction will prevail.



Why did ARM design the port bits this way? This scheme allows you to modify a bit without perturbing the others!

To turn the LED **P0.7** off, we can write:

```
IOSET = 0x00000080;           // turn P0.7 (red LED) off
```

Likewise, to turn the LED **P0.7** on, we can write:

```
IOCLR = 0x00000080;          // turn P0.7 (red LED) on
```

As you can see, it's fairly simple to manipulate I/O bits on the ARM processor.

To blink the LED, a simple FOREVER loop will do the job. I selected the loop counter values to get a one quarter second blink on – off time.



```
// endless loop to toggle the red LED P0.7
```

```
while (1) {
```

```
    for (j = 0; j < 500000; j++ );
```

```
    IOSET = 0x00000080;
```

```
    for (j = 0; j < 500000; j++ );
```

```
    IOCLR = 0x00000080;
```

```
}
```

```
// wait 250 msec
```

```
// red led off
```

```
// wait 250 msec
```

```
// red led on
```

This scheme is very inefficient in that it hog-ties the CPU while the wait loops are counting up.

The  **Initialize();** function requires some explanation.

We have to set up the Phased Lock Loop (PLL) and that takes some math.

Olimex LPC-P2106 board has a 14.7456 Mhz crystal

We'd like the LPC2106 to run at 53.2368 Mhz (has to be an even multiple of crystal, in this case 3x)

According to the Philips LPC2106 manual:  $M = cclk / Fosc$       where:  $M = PLL$   
multiplier (bits 0-4 of PLLCFG)

hz       $cclk = 53236800$

14745600 hz       $Fosc =$

Solving:       $M = 53236800 / 14745600 = 3.6103515625$   
                  $M = 4$  (round up)

Note:  $M - 1$  must be entered into bits 0-4 of PLLCFG (therefore assign 3 to these bits)

The Current Controlled Oscillator (CCO) must operate in the range 156 Mhz to 320 Mhz

According to the Philips LPC2106 manual:  $F_{cco} = cclk * 2 * P$  where:  $F_{cco} =$   
CCO frequency  $cclk =$   
53236800 hz  $P = PLL$   
divisor (bits 5-6 of PLLCFG)

Solving:  $F_{cco} = 53236800 * 2 * P$   
 $P = 2$  (trial value)  
 $F_{cco} = 53236800 * 2 * 2$   
 $F_{cco} = 212947200$  hz (good choice for P since it's within the 156 mhz to 320 mhz range)

From Table 19 (page 48) of Philips LPC2106 manual  $P = 2$ , PLLCFG bits 5-6 = 1 (assign 1 to these bits)

Finally:  $PLLCFG = 0\ 01\ 00011 = 0x23$

Final note: to load PLLCFG register, we must use the 0xAA followed 0x55 write sequence to the PLLFEED register; this is done in the short function feed() below

With the math completed, we can set the Phase Locked Loop Configuration Register (PLLCFG)

```
// Setting Multiplier and Divider values
PLLCFG = 0x23;
feed();
```

To set values into the PLLCON and PLLCFG registers, you have to write a two-byte sequence to the PLLFEED register:

```
PLLFEED = 0xAA;
PLLFEED = 0x55;
```

This sequence is coded in a short function **feed()**;

The net effect of the above setup is to run the ARM CPU at 53.2 Mhz.

Next we fully enable the Memory Accelerator module and set the Flash memory to run at ¼ the clock speed. Now you see why some people prefer to execute out of RAM where it's much faster.

```
// Enabling MAM and setting number of clocks used for Flash memory
fetch
// (4 cclks in this case)
MAMCR=0x2;
MAMTIM=0x4;
```

The clock speed of the peripherals is also run at 53.2 Mhz which is the full clock speed.

```
// Setting peripheral Clock (pclk) to System Clock (cclk)
VPBDIV=0x1;
```

In the final snippet of the `main()` code, you can see the dummy interrupt service routines. They are just simple endless loops; we don't intend to allow interrupts in this simple example.

## Description of the Linker Script `demo2106_blink_flash.cmd`

Let's look now at the linker command script, `demo2106_blink_flash.cmd`. I've included extensive annotation to make it very clear how the memory is organized.

```
/* *****
/* demo2106_blink_flash.cmd LINKER SCRIPT
/*
/*
/* The Linker Script defines how the code and data emitted by the GNU C compiler and
/* to be loaded into memory (code goes into FLASH, variables go into RAM).
/*
/* Any symbols defined in the Linker Script are automatically global and available to
/* program.
/*
/* To force the linker to use this LINKER SCRIPT, just add the -T demo2106_blink_flash.cmd
/* to the linker flags in the makefile.
/*
/* LFLAGS = -Map main.map -nostartfiles -T demo2106_blink_flash.cmd
/*
/*
/* The Philips boot loader supports the ISP (In System Programming) via the serial port
/* (In Application Programming) for flash programming from within your application.
/*
/* The boot loader uses RAM memory and we MUST NOT load variables or code in these areas
/*
/* RAM used by boot loader: 0x40000120 - 0x400001FF (223 bytes) for ISP variables
/*                          0x4000FFE0 - 0x4000FFFF (32 bytes) for ISP and IAP variables
/*                          0x4000FEE0 - 0x4000FFDF (256 bytes) stack for ISP and IAP
/*
/*
/* MEMORY MAP
/*
/*      .----->|-----|0x40010000
/*      .         |         |0x4000FFFF
/*      ram_isp_high | variables and stack
/*      .           | for Philips boot loader
/*      .           | 288 bytes
/*      .           | Do not put anything here |0x4000FEE0
/*      .----->|-----|
/*      .         | UDF Stack 4 bytes |0x4000FEDC <----- _st
/*      .----->|-----|
/*      .         | ABT Stack 4 bytes |0x4000FED8
```

/*	.	----->			
/*			FIQ Stack 4 bytes		0x4000FED4
/*	.	----->			
/*			IRQ Stack 4 bytes		0x4000FED0
/*	.	----->			
/*			SVC Stack 4 bytes		0x4000FECC
/*	.	----->			
/*	.				0x4000FEC8
/*	.		stack area for user program		
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.		free ram		
/*	ram				
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.				0x40000234 <----- _bss
/*	.		.bss uninitialized variables		
/*	.				0x40000218 <----- _bss
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.		.data initialized variables		
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.				0x40000200 <----- _data
/*	.	----->			
/*	.		variables used by		0x400001FF
/*	ram isp low		Philips boot loader		
/*	.		223 bytes		0x40000120
/*	.	----->			
/*	.				0x4000011F
/*	ram_vectors		free ram		
/*	.				0x40000040
/*	.				0x4000003F
/*	.		Interrupt Vectors (re-mapped)		
/*	.		64 bytes		0x40000000
/*	.	----->			
/*					
/*					
/*	.	----->			0x0001FFFF
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.				
/*	.		unused flash eprom		
/*	.				

```

/*      .      | .....      |
/*      .      |
/*      .      |
/*      .      |
/*      .      |      copy of .data area      |
/*      flash   |
/*      .      |
/*      .      |
/*      .      |-----|0x00000284 <----- _et
/*      .      |
/*      .      |0x00000180  main
/*      .      |0x00000104  Initialize
/*      .      |      C code      |0x00000100  UNDEF_Routine
/*      .      |      |0x000000fc  SWI_Routine
/*      .      |      |0x000000f8  FIQ_Routine
/*      .      |      |0x000000f4  IRQ_Routine
/*      .      |-----|0x000000d8  feed
/*      .      |
/*      .      |      Startup Code
/*      .      |      (assembler)
/*      .      |
/*      .      |-----|0x00000040 Reset_Handler
/*      .      |      |0x0000003F
/*      .      |      Interrupt Vector Table (unused)
/*      .      |      64 bytes
/*      .----->|-----|0x00000000 _startup
/*
/*
/*      The easy way to prevent the linker from loading anything into a memory area is t
/*      a MEMORY region for it and then avoid assigning any .text, .data or .bss section
/*
/*
/*      MEMORY
/*      {
/*          ram_isp_low(A)  : ORIGIN = 0x40000120, LENGTH = 223
/*      }
/*
/*
/*      Author:  James P. Lynch
/*
/*      *****

/* identify the Entry Point */
ENTRY(_startup) 

/* specify the LPC2106 memory areas */
MEMORY 
{
    flash          : ORIGIN = 0, LENGTH = 128K          /* FLASH ROM */
    ram_isp_low(A)  : ORIGIN = 0x40000120, LENGTH = 223  /* variables used by Phili
    ram             : ORIGIN = 0x40000200, LENGTH = 64992 /* free RAM area */
    ram_isp_high(A) : ORIGIN = 0x4000FFE0, LENGTH = 32   /* variables used by Phili
}

/* define a global symbol  stack_end */

```

```

_stack_end = 0x4000FEDC;

/* now define the output sections */
SECTIONS
{
    . = 0;                                /* set location counter to address zero */

    .text :                                /* collect all sections that should go into FLASH */
    {
        *(.text)                          /* all .text sections (code) */
        *(.rodata)                        /* all .rodata sections (constants, strings, etc.) */
        *(.rodata*)                       /* all .rodata* sections (constants, strings, etc.) */
        *(.glue_7)                        /* all .glue_7 sections (no idea what these are) */
        *(.glue_7t)                      /* all .glue_7t sections (no idea what these are) */
        _etext = .;                       /* define a global symbol _etext just after the last section */
    } >flash                               /* put all the above into FLASH */

    .data :                                /* collect all initialized .data sections that go into RAM */
    {
        _data = .;                       /* create a global symbol marking the start of the .data section */
        *(.data)                          /* all .data sections */
        _edata = .;                       /* define a global symbol marking the end of the .data section */
    } >ram AT >flash                       /* put all the above into RAM (but load the LMA code from flash) */

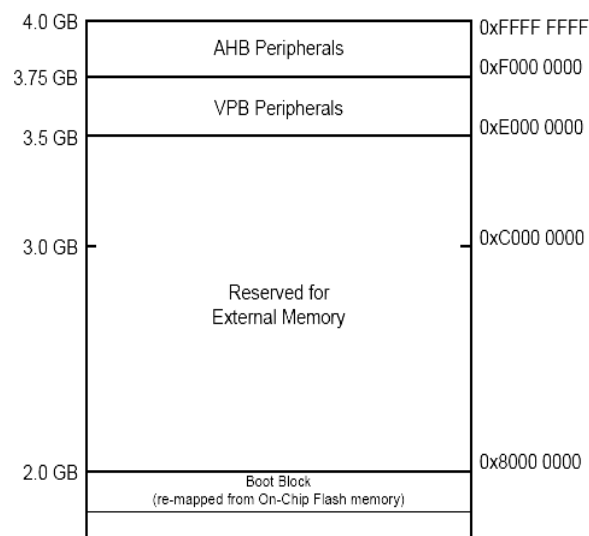
    .bss :                                /* collect all uninitialized .bss sections that go into RAM */
    {
        _bss_start = .;                  /* define a global symbol marking the start of the .bss section */
        *(.bss)                          /* all .bss sections */
    } >ram                                 /* put all the above in RAM (it will be cleared in place) */

    . = ALIGN(4);                          /* advance location counter to the next 32-bit boundary */
    _bss_end = .;                          /* define a global symbol marking the end of the .bss section */

    _end = .;                             /* define a global symbol marking the end of application */
}

```

The first order of business in the linker command script is to identify the memory available, this is easy in a Philips LPC2106 – the RAM and FLASH memory are on-chip and at fixed locations. Page 29 of the **Philips LPC2106 User Manual** shows the physical memory layout.




On-chip static RAM is from 0x4000 0000 to 0x4000 FFFF  
For the LPC2106

First we define an entry point; specifically **\_startup** as defined in the assembler function **crt.s**. This address will be used by the debugger to determine where to set the program counter PC at boot. In this case, we're going to start at the reset vector.

**ENTRY(\_startup)** 

The Linker command script uses the following directives to lay out the physical memory.


**MEMORY**   
{  
    **flash**              : **ORIGIN = 0, LENGTH = 128K**              /\* FLASH ROM  
\*/  
    **ram\_isp\_low(A)**     : **ORIGIN = 0x40000120, LENGTH = 223**      /\* variables  
used by Philips ISP \*/  
    **ram**               : **ORIGIN = 0x40000200, LENGTH = 64992**     /\* free RAM  
area \*/  
    **ram\_isp\_high(A)**   : **ORIGIN = 0x4000FFE0, LENGTH = 32**       /\* variables  
used by Philips ISP \*/  
}

You might expect that we'd define only a flash and a ram memory area. In addition to those, we've added two dummy memory areas that will prevent the linker from loading code or variables into the RAM areas used by the Philips ISP Flash Utility (sometimes called a boot loader). See page 180 in the Philips LPC2106 User Manual for a description of the Boot Loader's RAM usage.

As you'll see in a minute, we'll be moving various sections (**.text** section, **.data** section, etc.) into flash and ram.



Note that we created a global symbol (all symbols created in the linker command script are global) called **\_stack\_end**. It's just located after the stack/variable area used by the Philips ISP Flash Utility (boot loader) as mentioned above.

**\_stack\_end = 0x4000FEDC;** 

Now that the memory areas have been defined, we can start putting things into them. We do that by creating output sections and then putting bits and pieces of our code and data into them.

We define below three output sections:

**.text** - this output section holds all executable code generated by the compiler

**.data** - this output section contains all initialized data generated by the compiler


**.bss** - this output section contains all uninitialized data generated by the compiler

The next part of the Linker Command Script defines the output sections and where they go in memory.

The first thing done within the SECTIONS command is to set the location counter. The dot means "right here" and this sets the location counter at the beginning to 0x000000.

 **. = 0; /\* set location counter to address zero \*/**

Now we create our first output section, located at address 0x000000. This creates a output section named **".text"** and it includes all code generated by the assembler and C compiler; this code is normally emitted in **.text** sections. However, constants and strings are emitted into input sections such as **.rodata** and **.glue\_7** so these are included for completeness. These code bits all go into FLASH memory.

 **.text :** **/\* collect all sections that should go into FLASH after**  
**startup \*/**  
**{**  
     **\*(.text)** **/\* all .text sections (code) \*/**  
     **\*(.rodata)** **/\* all .rodata sections (constants, strings,**  
**etc.) \*/**  
     **\*(.rodata\*)** **/\* all .rodata\* sections (constants, strings,**  
**etc.) \*/**  
     **\*(.glue\_7)** **/\* all .glue\_7 sections \*/**  
     **\*(.glue\_7t)** **/\* all .glue\_7t sections \*/**  
     **\_etext = .;** **/\* define a global symbol \_etext after the last**  
**code byte \*/**  
     **} >flash** **/\* put all the above into FLASH \*/**

We follow the **.text:** output section (all the code and constants, etc) with a symbol definition, which is automatically global in the GNU toolset. This basically sets the next address after the last code byte to be the global symbol **\_etext** (end-of-text).

There are two variable areas, **.data** and **.bss**. The initialized variables are contained in the **.data** section, which will be placed in RAM memory. The big secret here is that an exact copy of the **.data** section will be loaded into FLASH right after the code section just defined. The onus is on the programmer to copy this section to the correct address in FLASH; in this way the variables are “initialized” at startup just after a reset.

The **.bss** section has no initializers. Therefore, the onus is on the programmer to clear the entire **.bss** section in the startup routine.

Initialized variables are usually emitted by the assembler and C compiler as **.data** sections.

```

6  .data :
    {
        _data = .;      /* global symbol locates the start of .data section in
RAM */

        *(.data)        /* tells linker to collect all .data sections together */

        _edata = .;     /* global symbol locates the end of .data section in
RAM */

    } >ram AT>flash     /* load data section into RAM, load copy of .data
section */
                          /* into FLASH for copying during startup. */

```

Note first that we created two global symbols, **\_data** and **\_edata**, that locate the beginning and end of the **.data** section in RAM. This helps us create a copy loop in the **crt.s** assembler file to load the initial values into the **.data** section in RAM.

The command **>ram** specifies the Virtual Memory Address that the **.data** section is to be placed into RAM (think of it as the final destination in RAM and all code references to any variables will use the RAM address).

The command **AT >flash** specifies the load memory address; essentially an exact copy of the RAM memory area with every variable initialized placed in flash for copying at startup.

You might say “why not let the Philips boot loader load the initial values of the **.data** section in RAM directly from the hex file?” The answer is that would work once and only once. When you power off and reboot your embedded application, the RAM values are lost.

The copy of the **.data** area loaded into flash for copying during startup is placed by the GNU linker at the next available flash location. This is conveniently right after the last byte of the **.prog** section containing all our executable code.

The **.bss** section is all variables that are not initialized. It is loaded into RAM and we create two global symbols **\_bss\_start** and **\_bss\_end** to locate the beginning and end for clearing by a loop in the startup code.

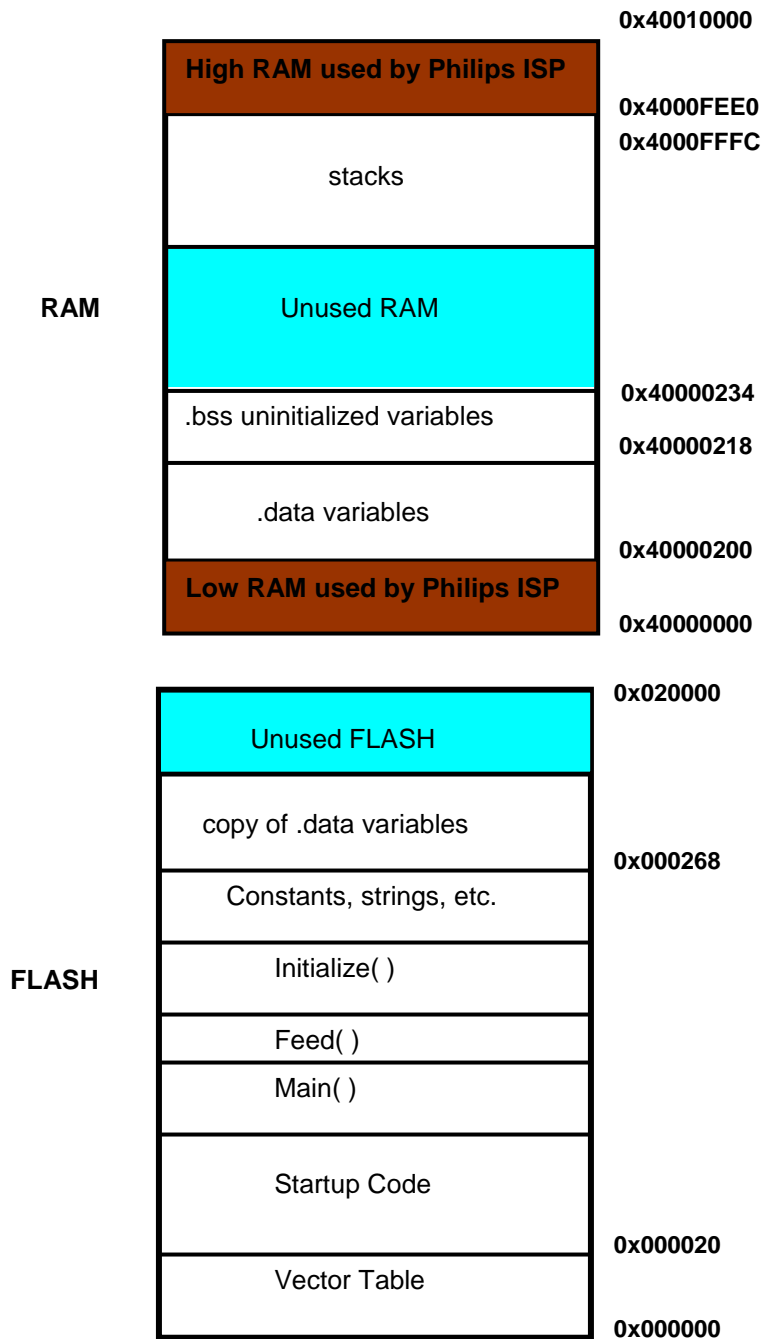
```

[ ] .bss :
    {
        _bss_start = .;
        *(.bss)
    }

```

```
    } >ram  
    . = ALIGN(4);  
}  
_bss_end = . ;  
_end = .;
```

Now let's diagram just where everything is in RAM and FLASH memory.



## Description of the Makefile

The makefile is the last source file we need to look at. I built the makefile to comply with the GNU make utility and be as simple as possible.

```
NAME    = demo2106_blink_flash

CC      = arm-elf-gcc
LD      = arm-elf-ld -v
AR      = arm-elf-ar
AS      = arm-elf-as
CP      = arm-elf-objcopy
OD      = arm-elf-objdump

CFLAGS  = -I./ -c -fno-common -O0 -g
AFLAGS  = -ahls -mapcs-32 -o crt.o
LFLAGS  = -Map main.map -Tdemo2106_blink_flash.cmd
CPFLAGS = -O ihex
ODFLAGS = -x --syms

all: test

clean:
    -rm crt.lst main.lst crt.o main.o main.out main.hex
    main.map main.dmp

test: main.out
    @ echo "...copying"
    $(CP) $(CPFLAGS) main.out main.hex
    $(OD) $(ODFLAGS) main.out > main.dmp

main.out: crt.o main.o demo2106_blink_flash.cmd
    @ echo "..linking"
    $(LD) $(LFLAGS) -o main.out crt.o main.o

crt.o: crt.s
    @ echo ".assembling"
    $(AS) $(AFLAGS) crt.s > crt.lst

main.o: main.c
    @ echo ".compiling"
    $(CC) $(CFLAGS) main.c
```

The general idea of the makefile is that a **target** (could be a file) is associated with one or more dependent files. If any of the dependent files are newer than the target, then the **commands** on the following lines are executed (to recompile, for instance). Command lines are indented with a **Tab** character!

```
main.o: main.c
    arm-elf-gcc -I./ -c -O3 -g main.c
```

In the example above, if main.c is newer than the target main.o, the command or commands on the next line or lines will be executed. The command arm-elf-gcc will recompile the file main.c with several compilation options specified. If the target is up-to-date, nothing is done. Make works its way downward in the makefile, if you've deleted all object and output files, it will compile and link everything.

GNU make has a helpful "**variables**" feature that helps you reduce typing. If you define the following variable:

```
CFLAGS = -I./ -c -fno-common -O3 -g
```

You can use this multiple times in the makefile by writing the variable name as follows:

```
$(CFLAGS)    will substitute the string -I./ -c -O3 -g
```

Therefore, the command-

```
arm-elf-gcc $(CFLAGS) main.c
```

is exactly the same as

```
arm-elf-gcc -I./ -c -O3 -g main.c
```

Likewise, we can replace the compiler name **arm-elf-gcc** with a variable too.

```
CC = arm-elf-gcc
```

Now the command line becomes

```
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) main.c
```

Now our "rule" for handling the main.o and main.c files becomes:


<div style="background-color: yellow; border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Commands <u>MUST</u> be indented with a TAB character!</div>	→	main.o: main.c
	→	@ echo ".compiling"
	→	\$(CC) \$(CFLAGS) main.c

It's worth emphasizing that forgetting to insert the **TAB** character before the commands is the most common rookie mistake in using the GNU Make system.

The compilation options being used are:

- I./** = specifies include directories to search first (project directory in this case)
- c** = do not invoke the linker, we have a separate make rule for that
- fno-common** = gets rid of a pesky warning
- O3** = sets the optimization level (Note: set to **-O0** for debugging!)
- g** = generates debugging information

The assembler is used to assemble the file `crt.s`, as shown below:



```
crt.o: crt.s
@ echo ".assembling"
$(AS) $(AFLAGS) crt.s > crt.lst
```

In the example above, if the object file `crt.o` is older than the dependent assembler source file `crt.s`, then the commands on the following lines are executed.

If we expand the make variables used, the lines would be:


```
crt.o: crt.s
@ echo ".assembling"
arm-elf-as -ahls -mapcs-32 -o crt.o crt.s >
crt.lst
```

The `> crt.lst` directive creates a assembler list file.

The assembler options being used are:

- ahls** = listing control, turns on high-level source, assembly and symbols
- mapcs-32** = selects 32-bit ARM function calling method
- o crt.o** = create an object output file named `crt.o`

The GNU linker is used to prepare the output from the assembler and C compiler for loading into Flash and RAM, as shown below:



```
main.out: crt.o main.o demo2106_blink_flash.cmd
@ echo "..linking"
$(LD) $(LFLAGS) -o main.out crt.o main.o
```

If the target output file `main.out` is older than the two object files or the linker command file, then the commands on the following lines are executed.

The Linker options being used are:

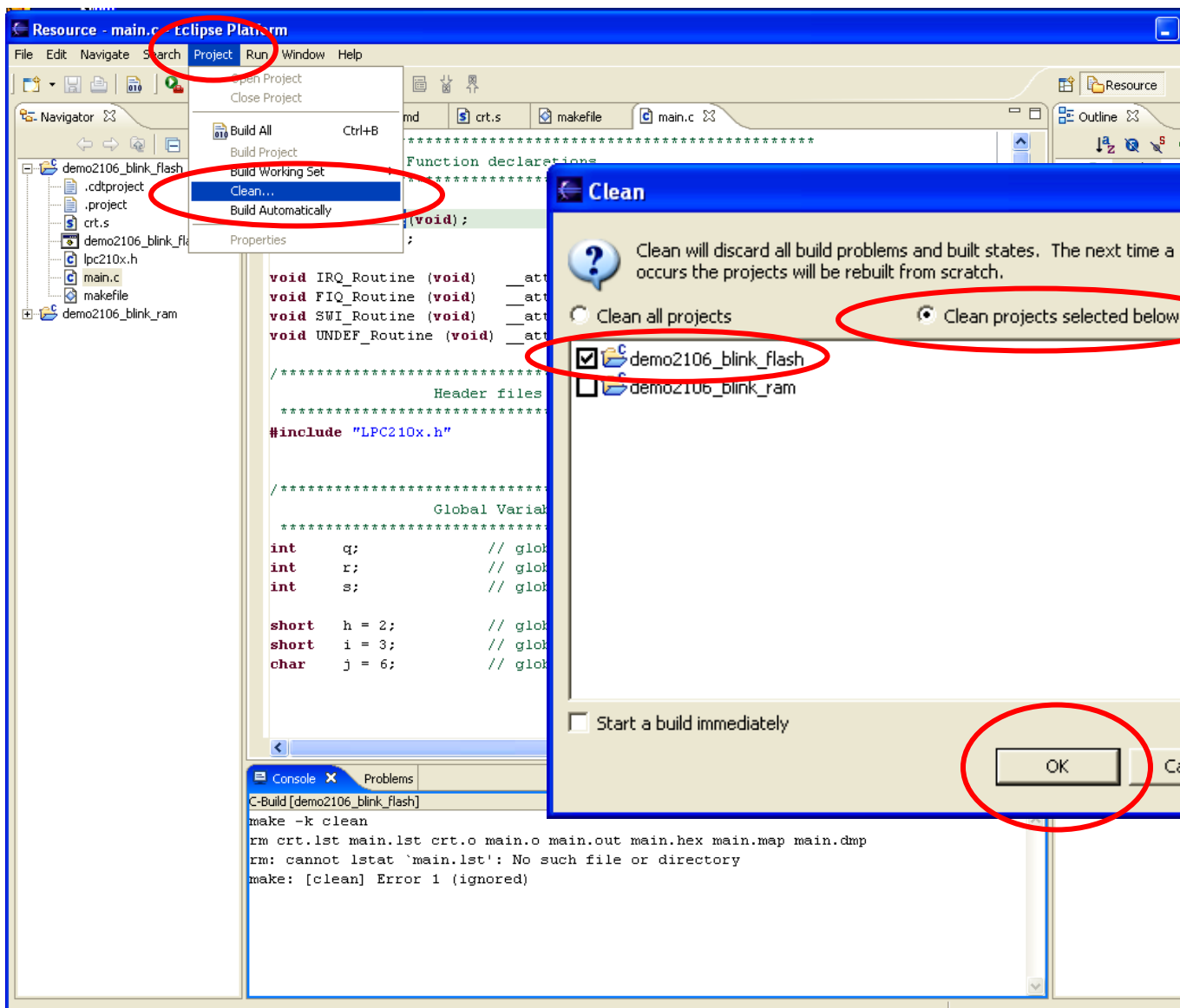
- Map main.map** = creates a map file

**-T demo2106\_blink\_flash.cmd** = identifies the name of the linker script file

Note that I've kept this GNU makefile as simple as possible. You can clearly see the assembler, C compiler and linker steps. They are followed by the **objcopy** utility that makes the hex file for the Philips ISP boot loader and an **objdump** operation to give a nice file of all symbols, etc.

## Compiling and Linking the Sample Application

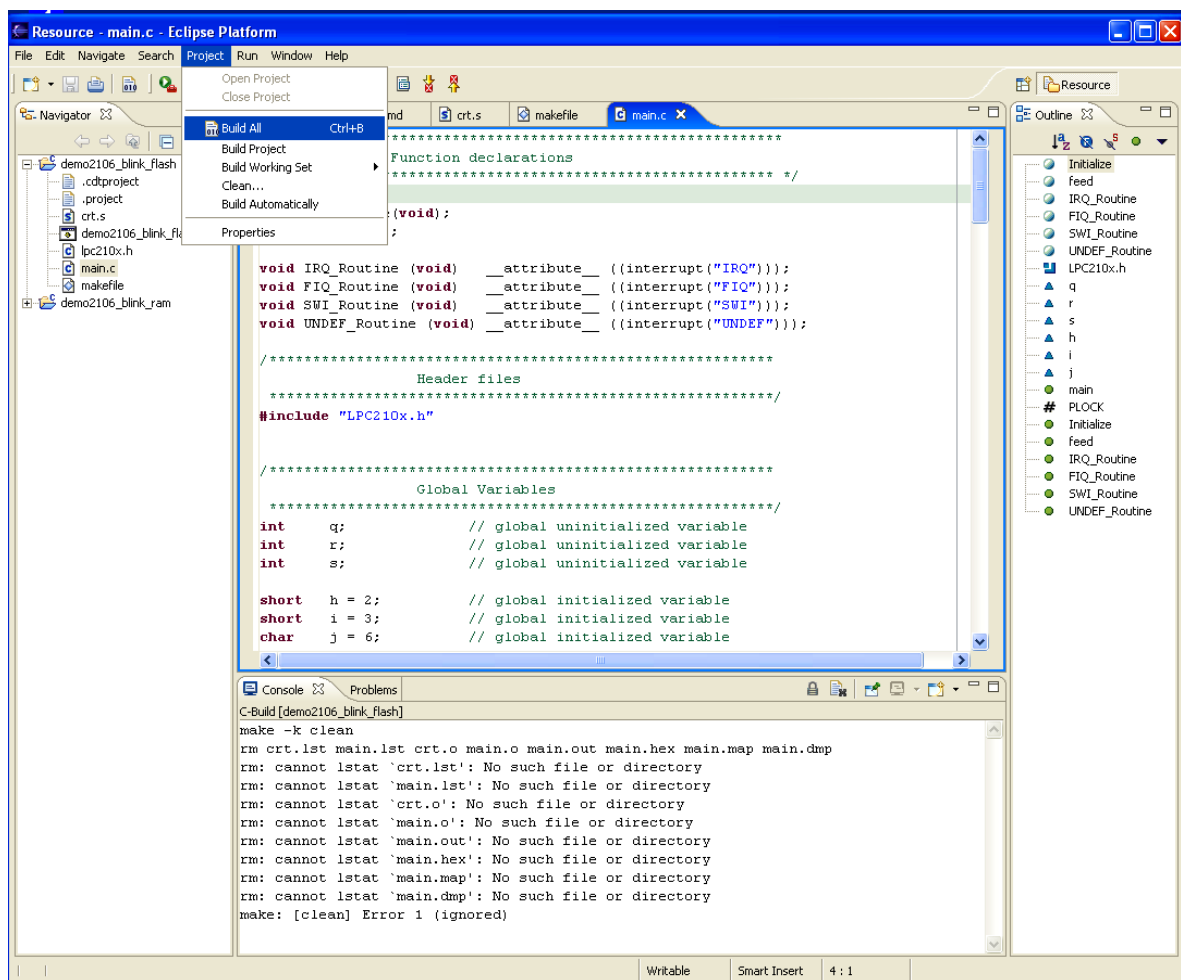
OK, now it's time to actually do something. First, let's **"Clean"** the project; this gets rid of all object and list files, etc. Click on **"Project – Clean ..."** and fill out the "Clean" dialog window.



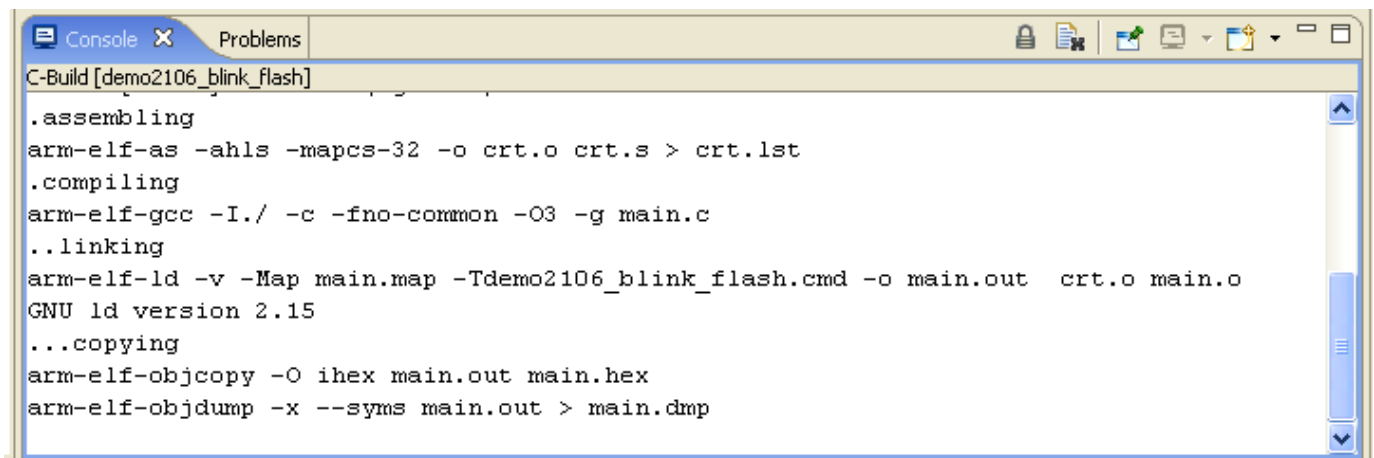


You can see the results of the “Clean” operation in the Console window at the bottom. Expect to see some warnings if there isn’t anything to delete.

To build the project, click on “**Project – Build All**”. Since we deleted all the object files and the main.out file via the clean operation, this “Build-all” will assemble the crt.s startup file, C compile the main.c function, run the linker and then run the **objcopy** utility to make a hex file suitable for downloading with the Philips ISP Flash Utility.



We can see the results in the Console Window at the bottom.



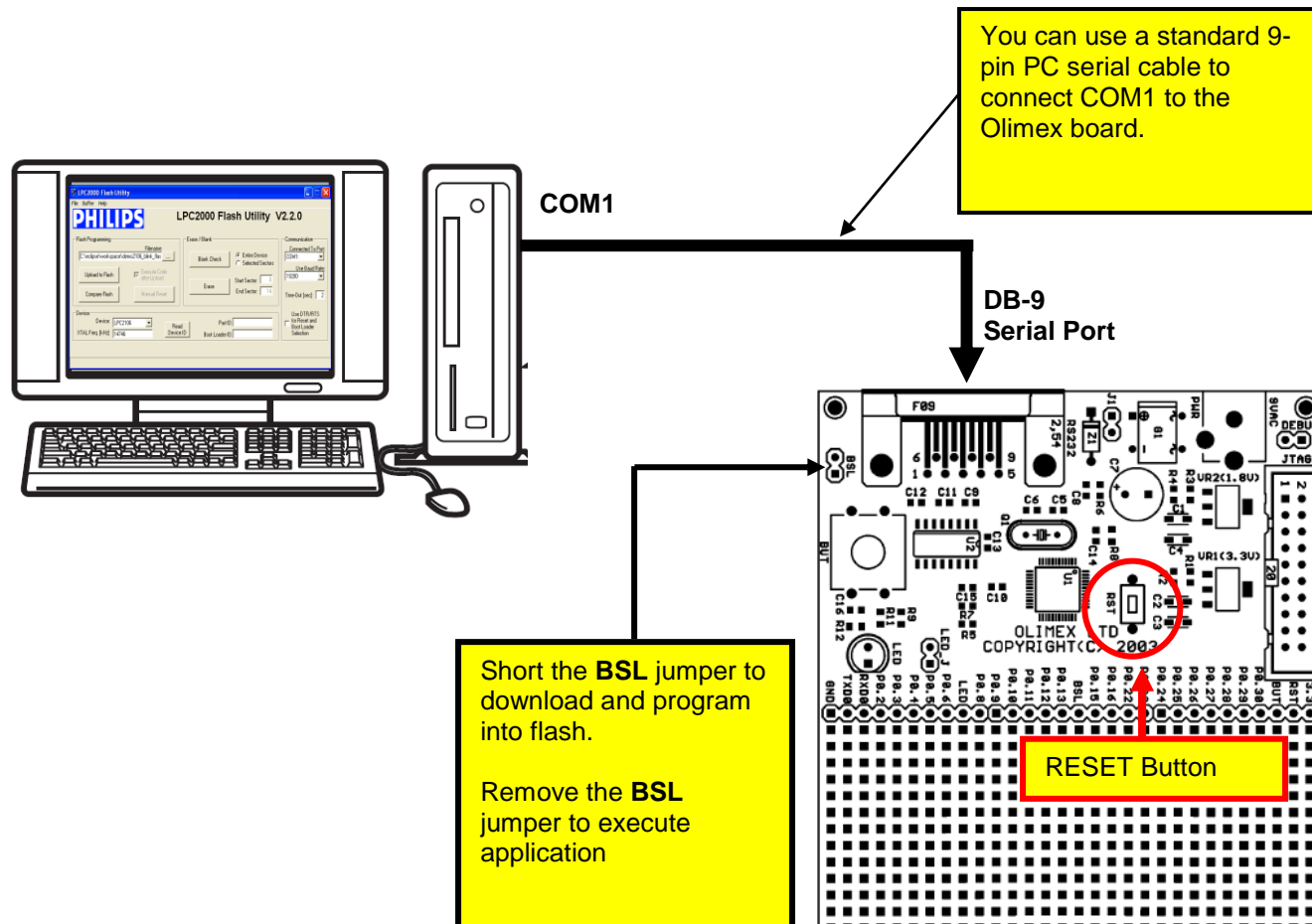
The screenshot shows a console window with a title bar containing 'Console' and 'Problems' tabs. The main area displays the output of a C-build process for a project named 'demo2106\_blink\_flash'. The output includes commands for assembling, compiling, linking, and copying files, along with the version of GNU ld used.

```
C-Build [demo2106_blink_flash]

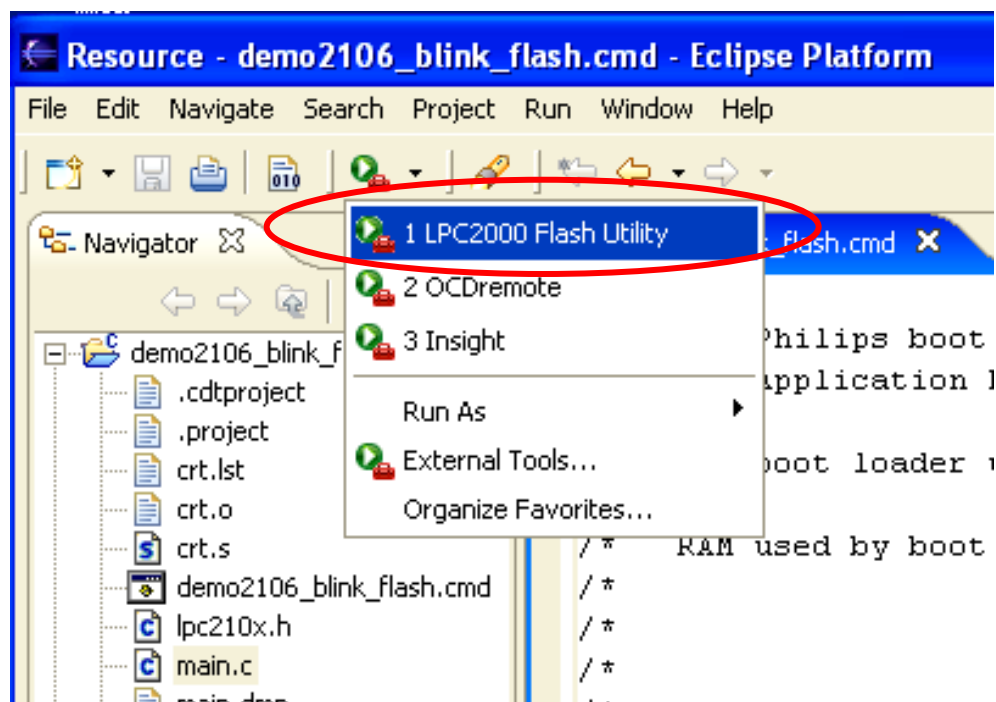
.assembling
arm-elf-as -ahls -mapcs-32 -o crt.o crt.s > crt.lst
.compiling
arm-elf-gcc -I./ -c -fno-common -O3 -g main.c
..linking
arm-elf-ld -v -Map main.map -Tdemo2106_blink_flash.cmd -o main.out crt.o main.o
GNU ld version 2.15
...copying
arm-elf-objcopy -O ihex main.out main.hex
arm-elf-objdump -x --syms main.out > main.dmp
```

## Setting Up the Hardware and Running the Application

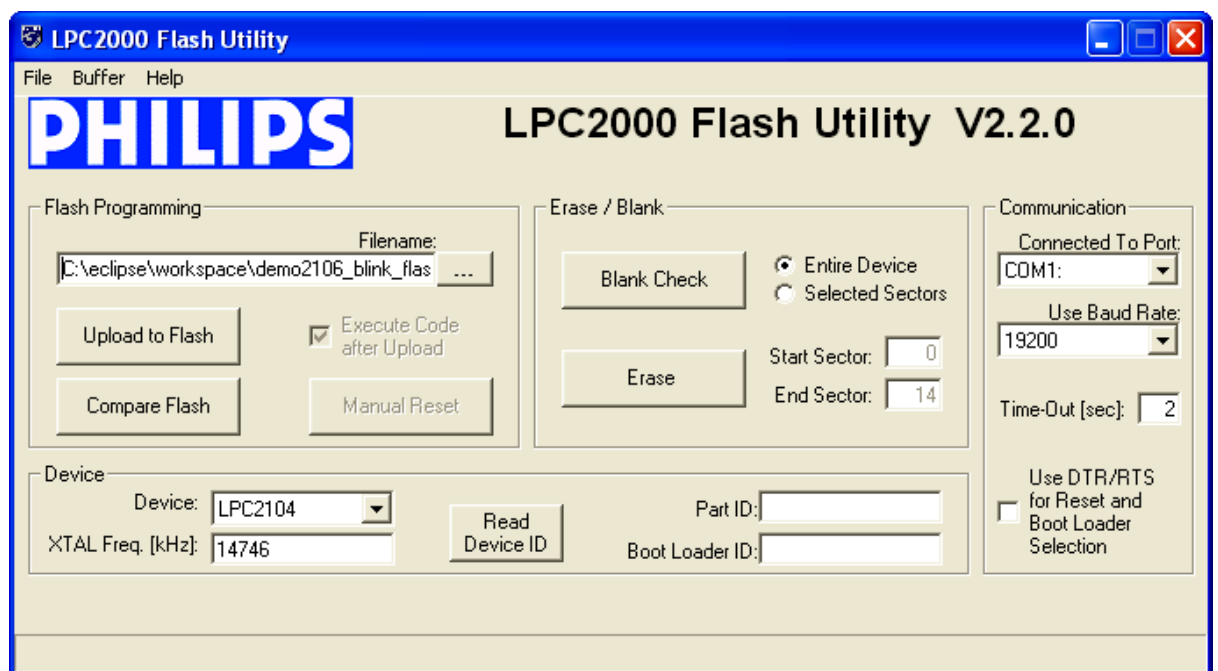
For this tutorial, we'll be using the Olimex **LPC-P2106 Prototype Board**. Connect a straight-through 9-pin serial cable from your computer's COM1 port to the DB-9 connector on the Olimex board. Attach the 9-volt power supply to the PWR connector. Install the BSL jumper and the JTAG jumper.



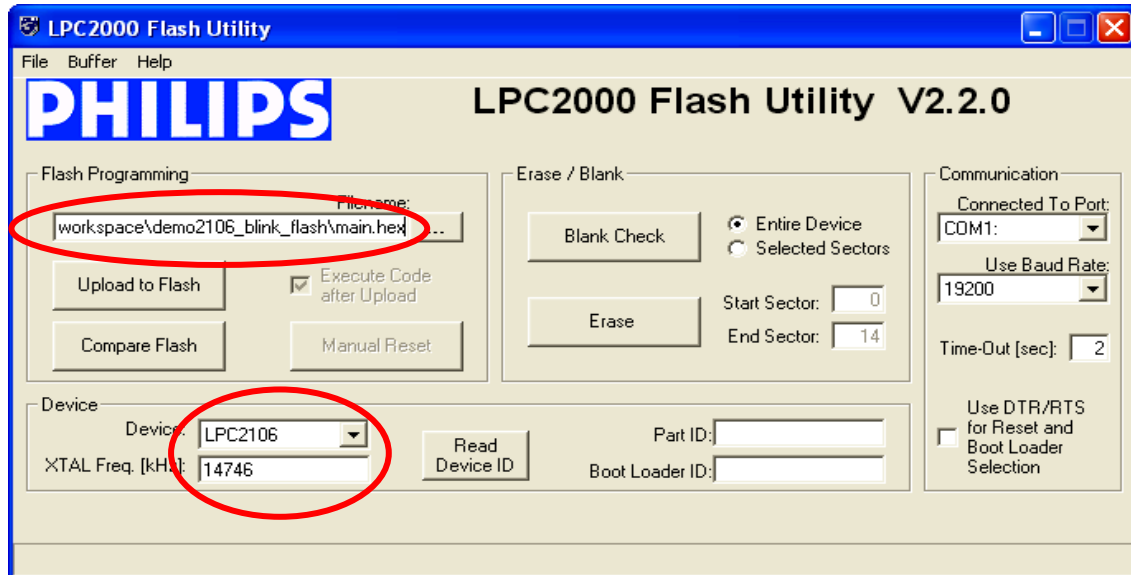
To run the Philips LPC2000 Flash Utility, it's easiest to just click on the “**External Tools**” button and its down arrow to pull-down the available tools. Click on “**LPC2000 Flash Utility**” to start the Philips Boot Loader.



The Philips LPC2000 ISP Flash Programming will start up.



Now fill out the LPC2000 Flash Utility screen. Browse the workspace for the **main.hex** file. Set the Device to **LPC2106**. Set the crystal frequency to **14746**, as per the Olimex schematic. The default baud rate, COM port and Time-out are OK as is.

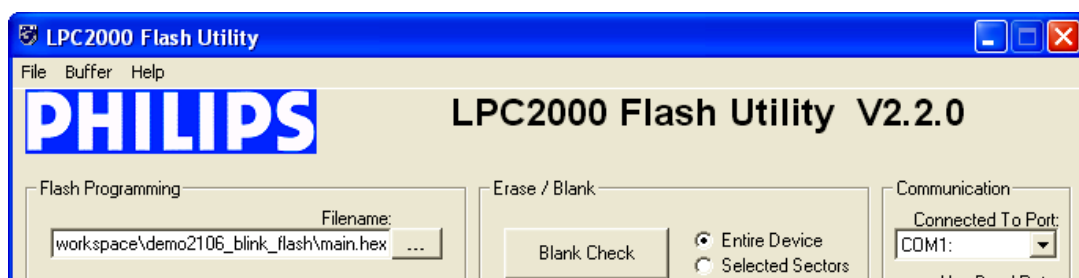


Now click on “**Upload to Flash**” to start the download.

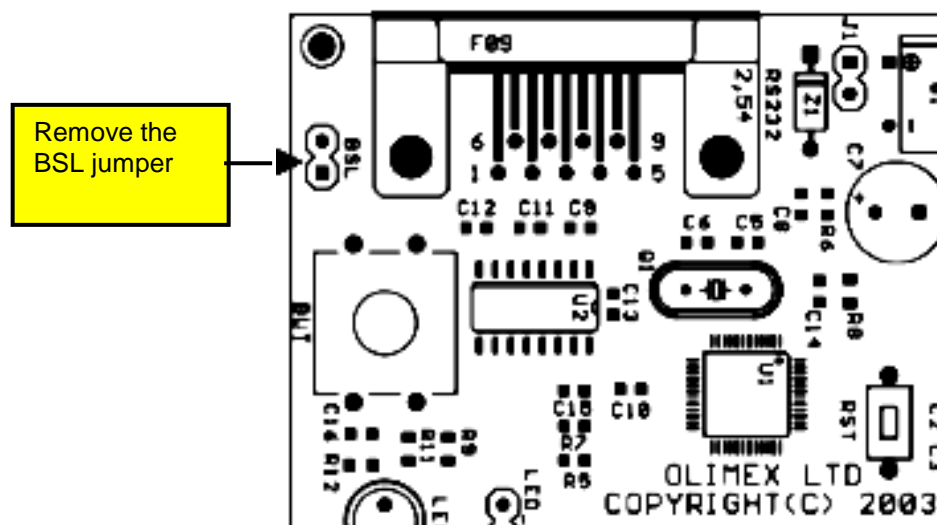
The Philips ISP Flash Utility will now ask you to reset the target system. This is the tiny **RST** button near the CPU chip.



The download will now proceed; you'll see a blue progress bar at the bottom and then the status line will say “File Upload Successfully Completed”.

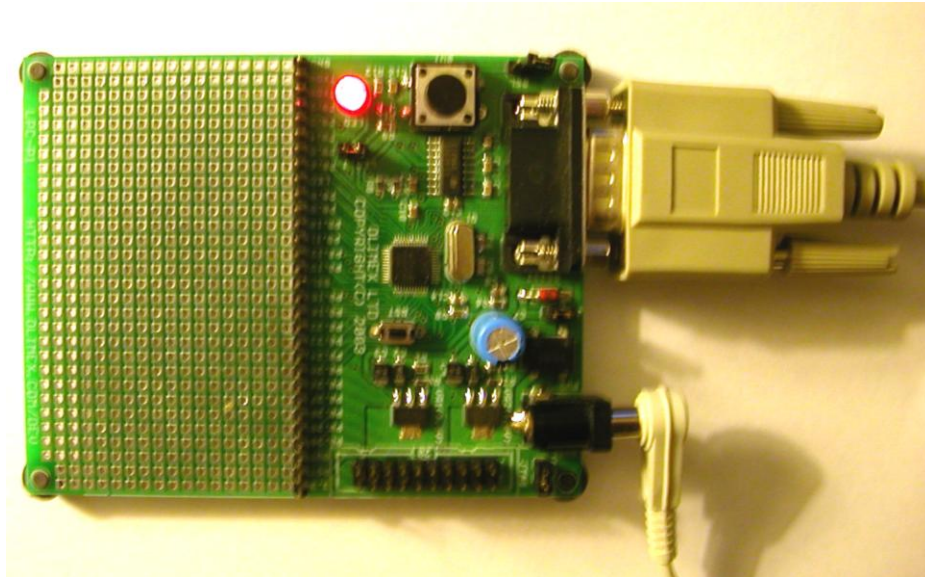


Remove the **BSL** (boot strap loader) jumper and hit the **RST** button.



Your application should start up and the LED will start blinking.

To prove that I am as honest as the sky is blue, here it is blinking away!



OK, I admit it; this photo has the reliability of a Bigfoot video!

## Debugging the FLASH Application

It's assumed at this point that you have built your program (compile, link, etc) and have programmed it into FLASH memory, as demonstrated in the previous section. If you are not a natural zero-defects programmer, you will occasionally need to debug your program running in FLASH memory.

Eclipse/CDT has a fabulous graphical debugger that interfaces seamlessly to the GDB debugger that is an integral part of the GNU tool chain. When you click on the **"Debug"** button, you will be able to watch the execution of your program graphically as it goes from breakpoint to breakpoint. You can park the cursor over a variable name and see its current value (assuming that execution has stopped, of course). You'll be able to look at structured variables, see the ARM registers and have the ability to modify variables and registers. In this setup, we make use of the ARM7's hardware breakpoint units and this limits you to two breakpoints.

We will need the following hardware setup:







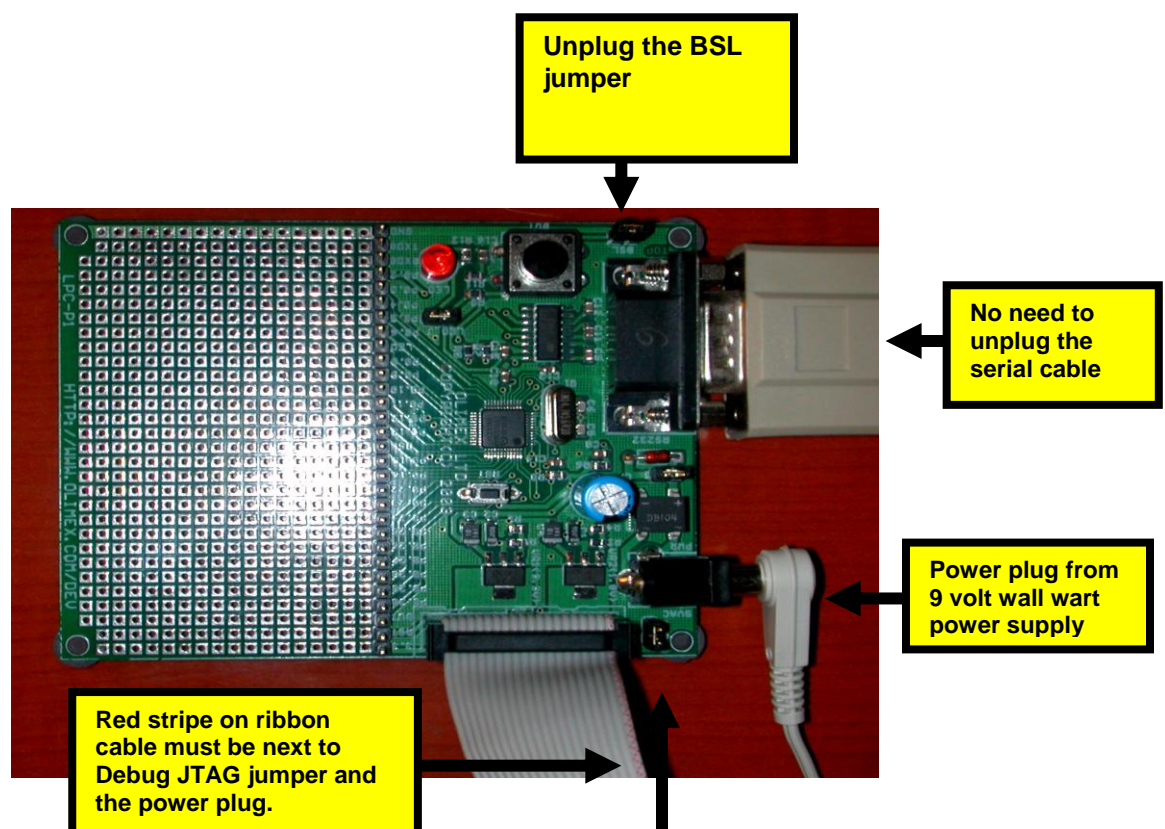
## Eclipse Debugging Using the Olimex ARM-JTAG Dongle

The **Wiggler** is one of many products from the Canadian company Macraigor. It connects the parallel port of your PC to the 20-pin JTAG header on the Olimex **LPC-P2106** board. It is just a simple level shifter and a transistor. Macraigor charges \$150 for it; the Olimex clone is about \$19.



There are several schematic diagrams on the web for the **Wiggler**; notably Leon Heller has one on the LPC2000 message board on Yahoo. You could build your own but I doubt you'd save that much money after paying the shipping from Digikey and the gas to drive to Radio Shack. The Olimex version is a fair deal.

Let's review the hardware setup one more time.



Power up the Olimex LPC-P2106 board and press the **RST** button for good luck!

## Final Preparations Before Starting Eclipse Debugger

Before we start the **Eclipse** Graphical Debugger, I should mention that debuggers absolutely hate compiler optimization. This one is no different. We have been compiling with **-O3** and you will find some strange things happening when you single-step at that optimization level.

Just to be sure, let's turn off optimization. Go to the makefile and change the setting to **-O0** and rebuild!

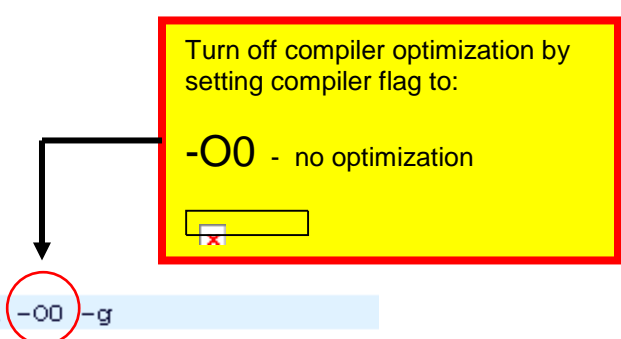
File: **makefile.mak**

```
NAME      = demo2106_blink_ram

CC        = arm-elf-gcc
LD        = arm-elf-ld -v
AR        = arm-elf-ar
AS        = arm-elf-as
CP        = arm-elf-objcopy
OD        = arm-elf-objdump

CFLAGS    = -I./ -c -fno-common -O0 -g
AFLAGS    = -ahls -mapcs-32 -o crt.o
LFLAGS    = -Map main.map -Tdemo2106_blink_ram.cmd
CPFLAGS   = -O ihex
ODFLAGS   = -x --syms

all: test
```



The diagram shows a yellow callout box with a red border. Inside the box, it says "Turn off compiler optimization by setting compiler flag to:" followed by "-O0 - no optimization". Below this text is a small input field with a red 'x' icon. An arrow points from the box to the "-O0" flag in the CFLAGS line of the makefile, which is circled in red.

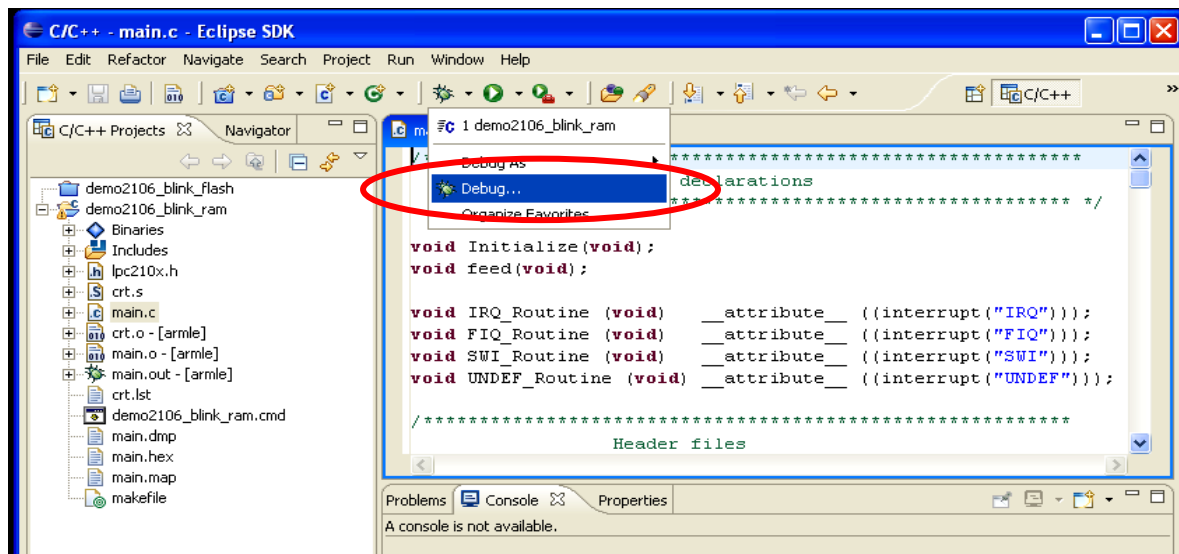
## Create a Debug Launch Configuration

The first order of business is to set up a “**debug launch configuration**.” The quickest way to get to the “**debug launch configuration**” screen is to click on the “insect”

button (insect – bug – get it?). Specifically, click on the down arrowhead to bring up the debug pull-down menu.



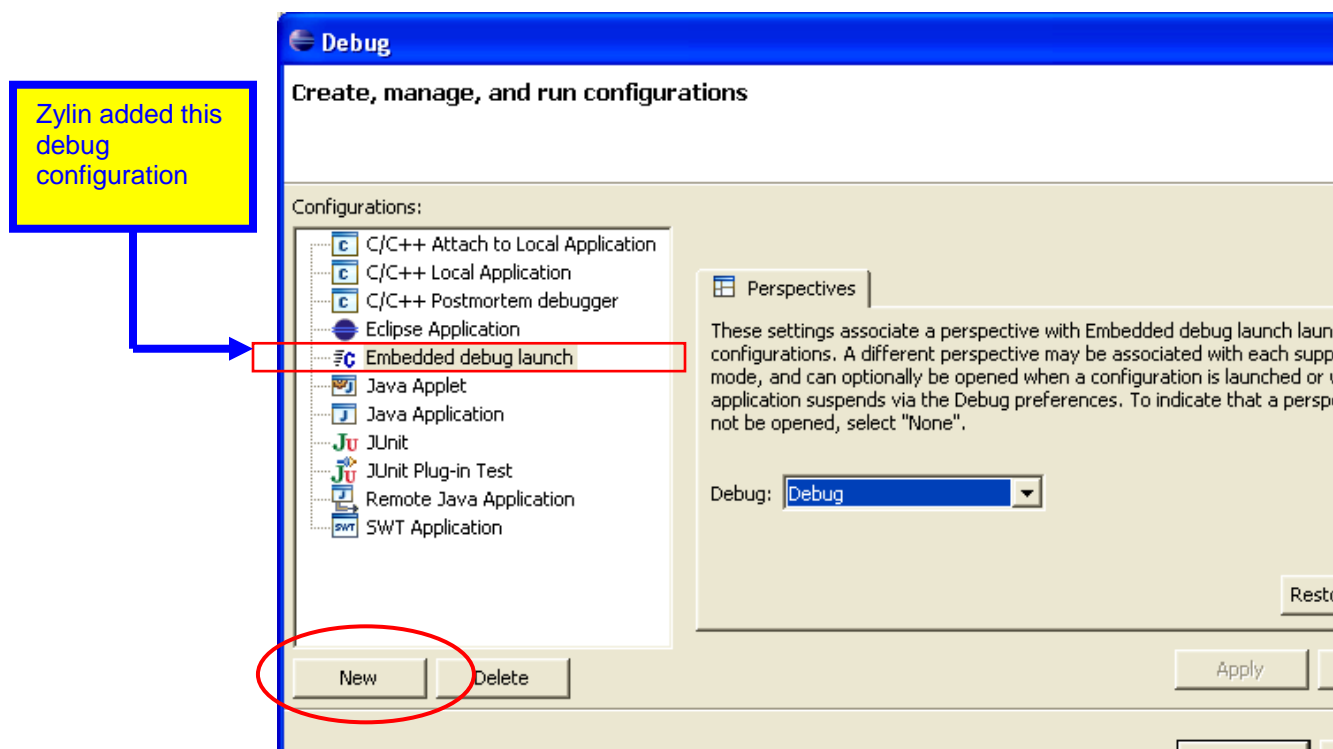
Click on the “**Debug ...**” selection in the debug pull-down list to bring up the Debug configuration screen.



In the “Debug Launch Configuration” screen below, you can see the Zylín modification. Note that one of the possible debug configuration types is now “**Embedded debug launch.**”

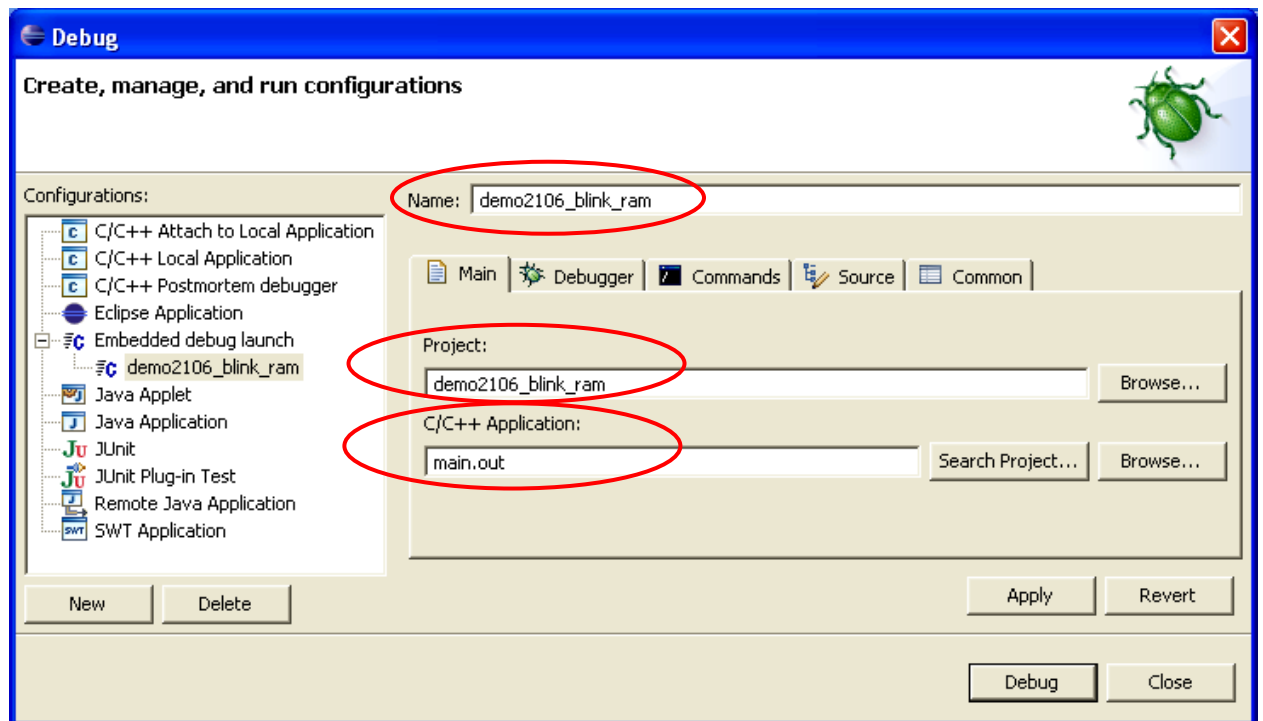
You will tend to create a separate “**Embedded debug launch**” configuration for every project you create; it’s very convenient for people who have multiple projects going on at the same time.

Click on the Zylín “**Embedded debug launch**” configuration and then “**New**” to get started.

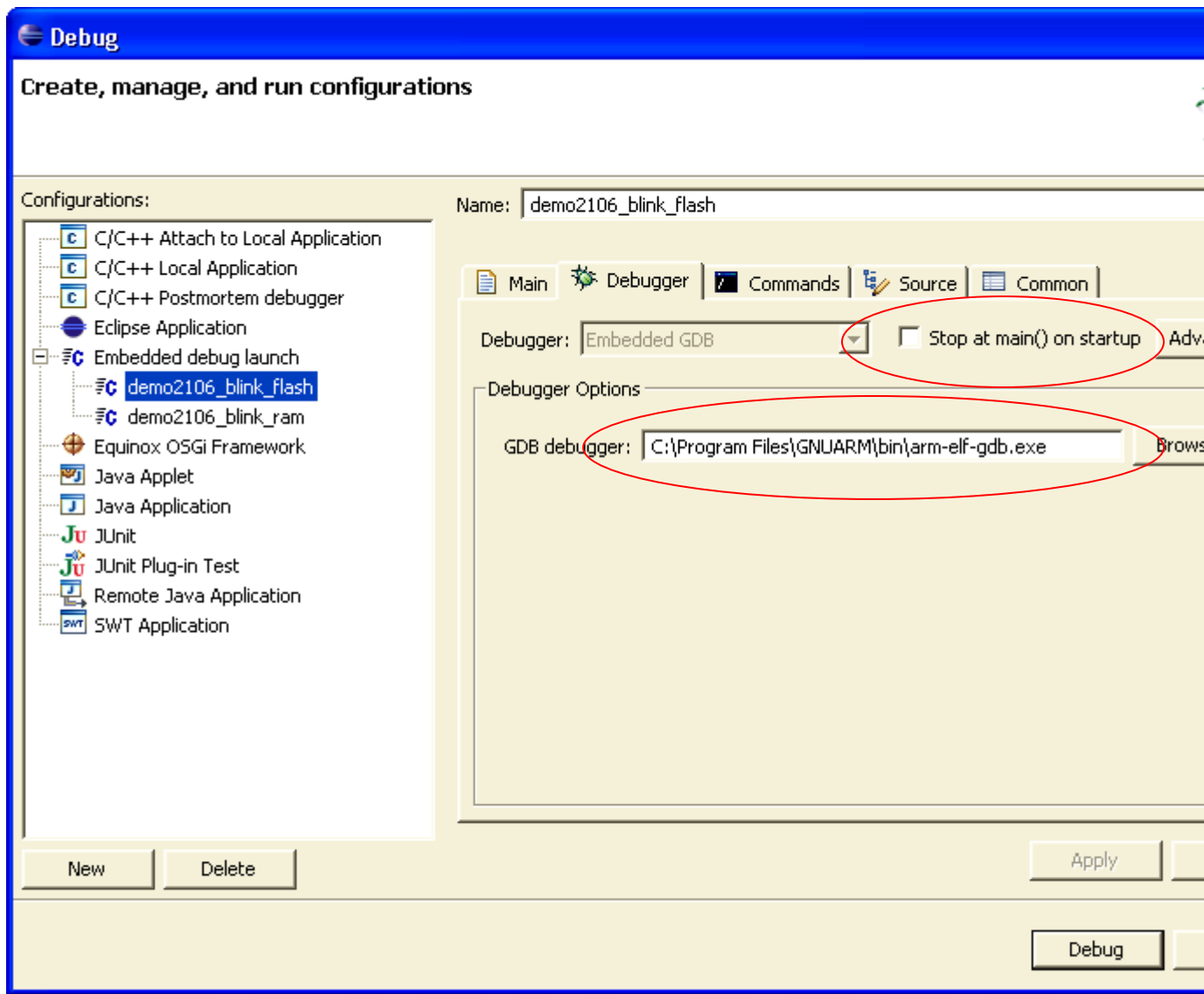




In the “**Main**” tab, set the name to anything you like and the project to “**demo2106\_blink\_ram**.” I was, of course, lazy and made the debug configuration name the same as the project. Set the C/C++ Application to “**main.out**.” Main.out is an arm-elf format file that has the executable and debug information within the file.

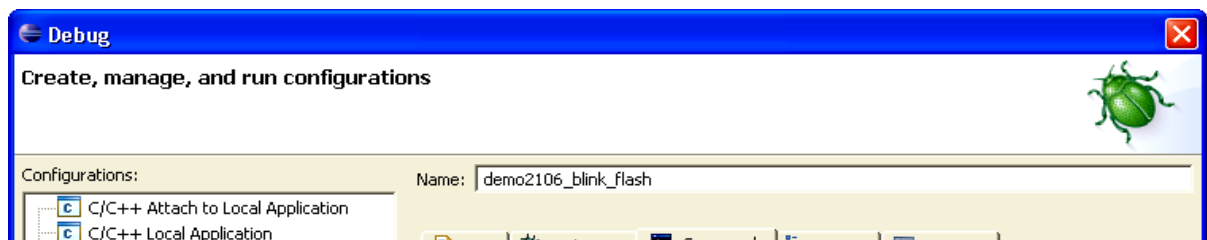


Under the “**Debugger**” tab, use the “**browse**” button to set the “GDB debugger:” text window to “**c:\program files\GNUARM\bin\arm-elf-gdb.exe**” and **uncheck** the box that instructs the debugger to stop at main() on startup.



Under the “**commands**” tab, enter the following six GDB commands to run at debug startup:

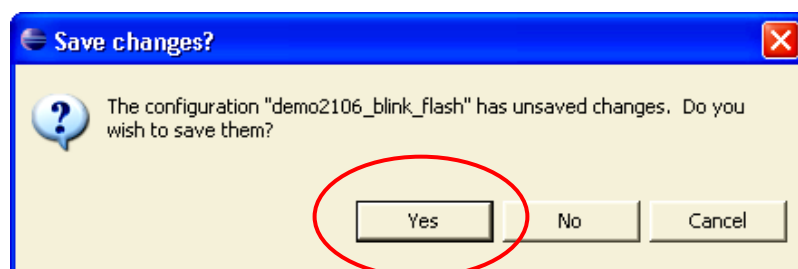
```
target remote localhost:3333
monitor soft_reset_halt
monitor arm7_9 force_hw_bkpts enable
symbol-file main.out
thbreak main
continue
```





The “Source” and “Common” tabs can be left at their default values. Click on “**Apply**” and then “**Close**” above to finish specification of this Debug Configuration.

Eclipse will ask you if you want to save this configuration, answer “**Yes**”.



The six startup commands entered into the “Commands” window above are crucial, so let’s examine them a bit.

**target remote localhost:3333**

This is a **GDB** command. The “**target remote**” command specifies that the protocol used to talk to the application is “GDB Remote Serial” protocol with

the serial device being a internet socket called **localhost:3333** (the default specification for the **OpenOCD** GDB Server).

### **monitor soft\_reset\_halt**

This is an **OpenOCD** command (The keyword "**monitor**" stipulates that the command will be passed to **OpenOCD**, not to the GDB command processor). This is a special reset command developed by Dominic Rath for the LPC2xxx family of ARM microprocessors.

### **monitor arm7\_9 force\_hw\_bkpts enable**

This is an **OpenOCD** command. It converts all breakpoint commands emitted by Eclipse/GDB into hardware breakpoints. The ARM7 architecture supports two hardware breakpoints. This allows you to debug a program in FLASH.

### **symbol-file main.out**

This is a **GDB** command. It instructs the debugger to utilize the symbolic information in the **main.out** file for debugging.

### **thbreak main**

This is a **GDB** command. It sets a temporary hardware breakpoint at the entry point `main()`. Once the debugger breaks at `main()`, this breakpoint is automatically removed.

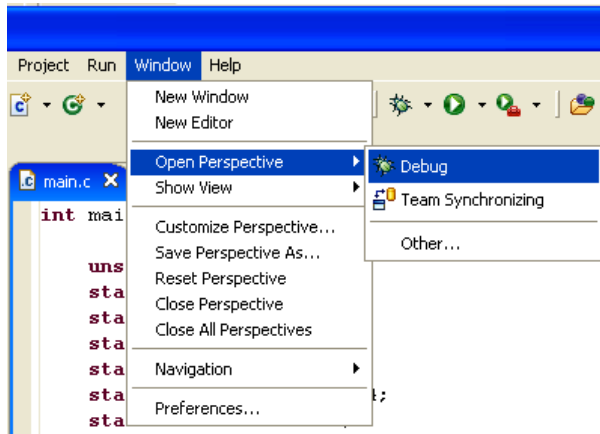
### **continue**

This is a **GDB** command. It forces the ARM processor out of breakpoint/halt state and resumes execution from `main()`.

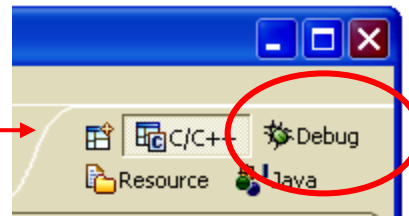
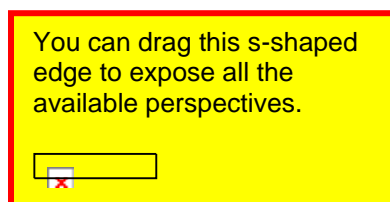
## Switch to Debug Perspective

What you see on the screen when using Eclipse is called a “perspective” and up to now, we have been using the “**C/C++**” perspective. Once the application has been built, we must switch to the “**Debug**” perspective to debug it.

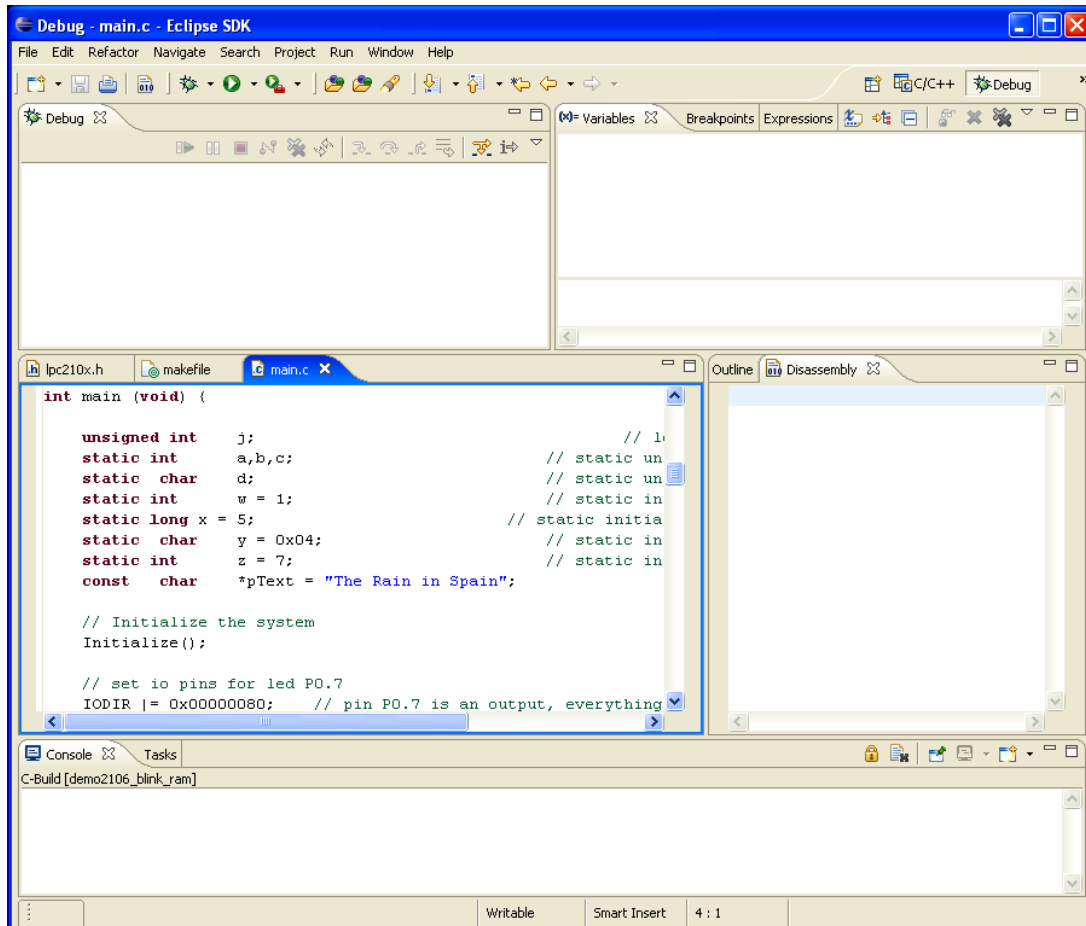
One way is to change the perspective in the “**Window**” pull-down menu as shown below.



It's also convenient to click on the “**Debug Perspective**” button on the upper right of the Eclipse screen.



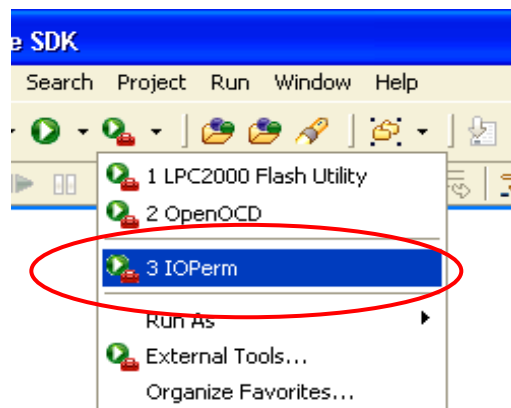
Below is the “**Debug**” perspective.




## Start the IOPERM Utility

**IOPerm** is a utility that allows **OpenOCD** to utilize the PC's parallel printer port. IOPerm is already in the **c:/Cygwin/bin** directory and we have previously entered this utility as an Eclipse "external tool".

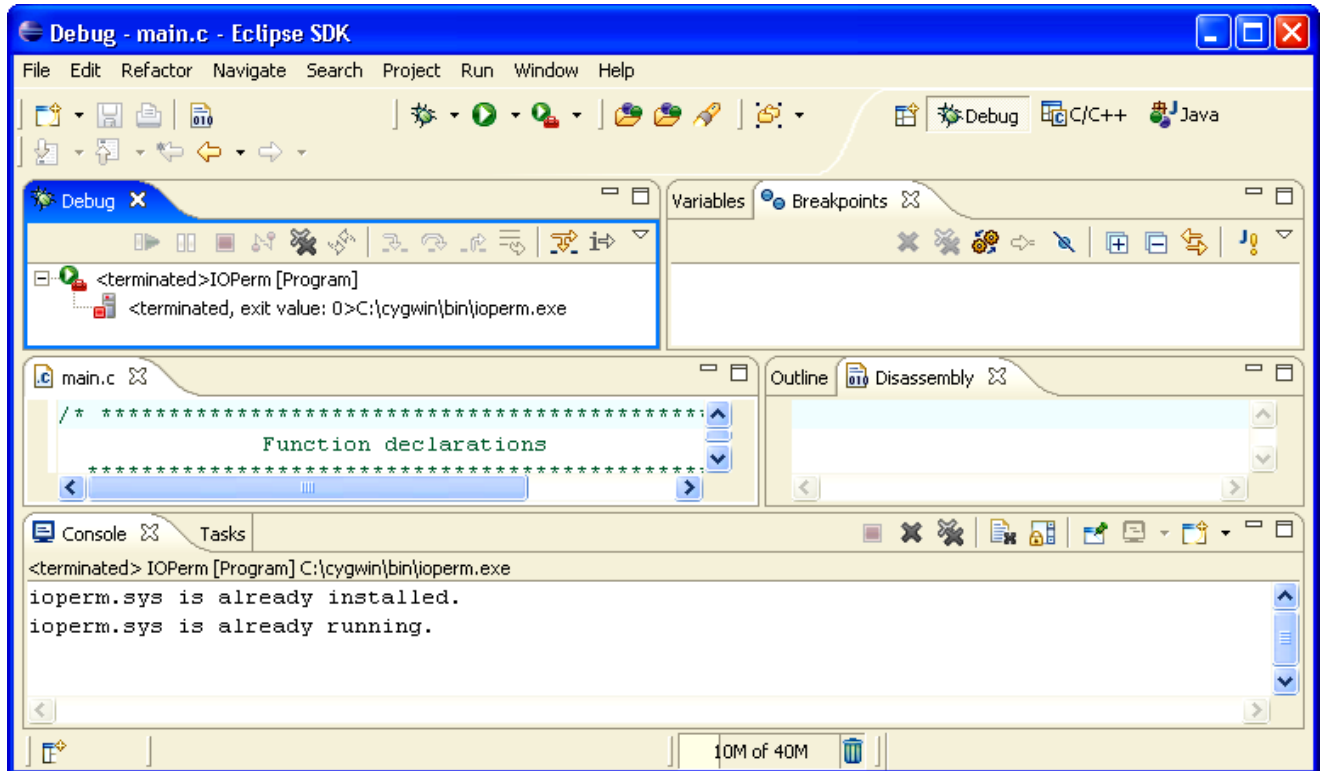
Typically, you only have to start `ioperm.exe` once after your PC is booted. Every other time you attempt to start it, it will say "already running". Click on the external tool "**IOPerm**".



The console view shows that `ioperm.sys` is now running and the Debug view shows that the launcher, `ioperm.exe`, has completed.

You can click the  symbol in the Debug window to clear this terminated entry.

You should only have to do this once after booting your computer.

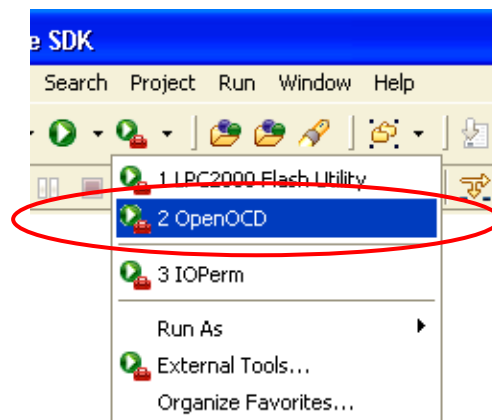


## Start the OpenOCD utility

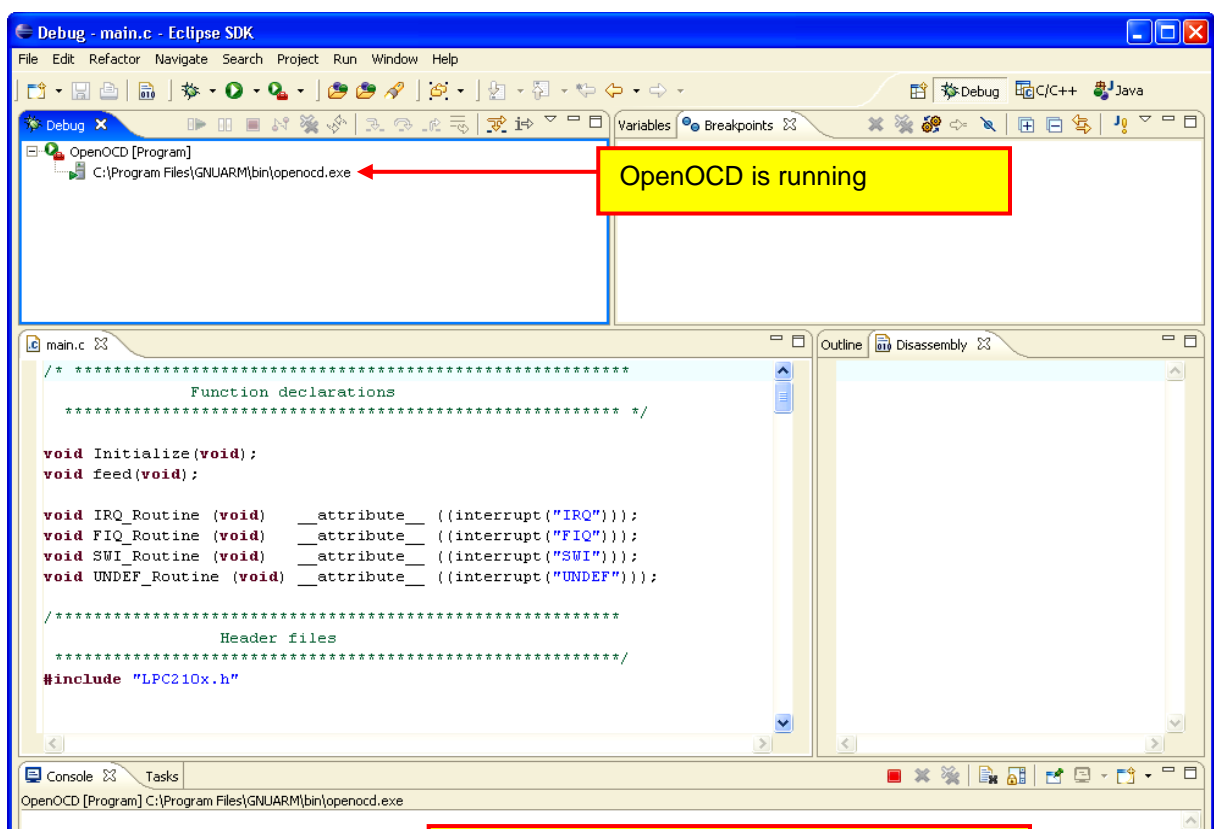
Dominic Rath's **OpenOCD** utility must be started **before** the Eclipse Debugger is launched.

Remember that we set up the **OpenOCD** as an External Tool. It's easily started by clicking on the pull-down arrow of the External Tool button. Note the little red toolbox on that button.

Click on "**OpenOCD**" to start it.



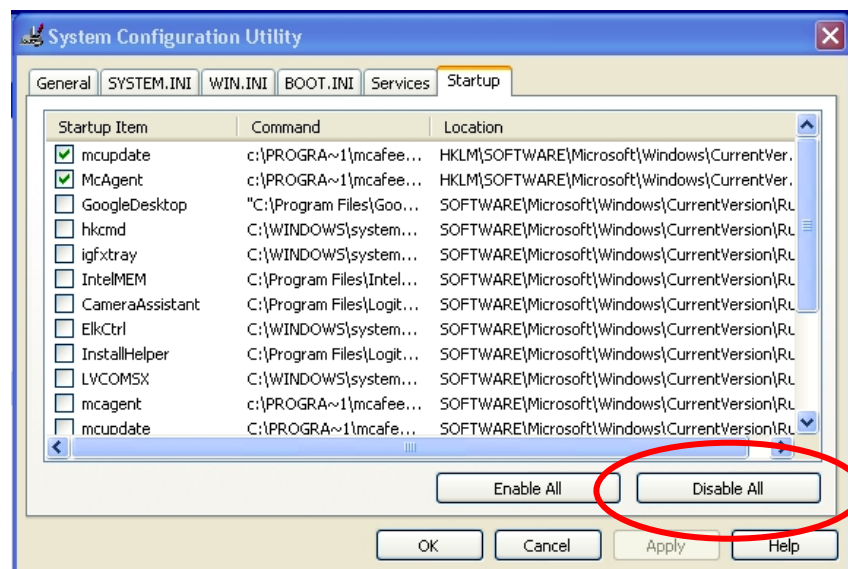
If **OpenOCD** starts properly, you should see the following display.



I have been unable to make **OpenOCD** fail with the Olimex wiggler. I use a 2 meter printer cable from the local computer store. If for some reason, **OpenOCD** will not properly start in your system, you can try the following things.

- Make sure that you started **IOPerm** before attempting to start **OpenOCD**
- Cycle power on the target board before starting **OpenOCD**
- Make sure your computer is not running cpu-intensive applications in the background, such as internet telephone applications (my beloved **SKYPE** for example). The **OpenOCD/wiggler** system does “bit-banging” on the **LPT1** printer port which is fairly low in the Windows priority order.

For Windows XP users, here is a simple way to get rid of all those background programs. Click “**Start – Help and Support – Use Tools... - System Configuration Utility – Open System Configuration Utility – Startup Tab**”



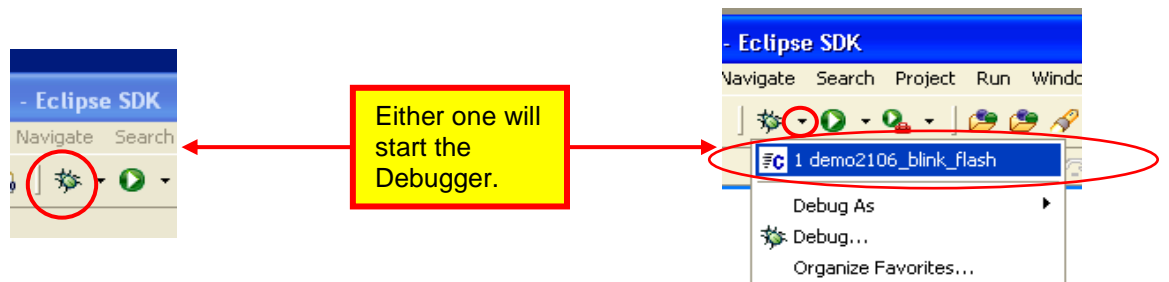


Click on "**Disable All**". Windows will ask you to re-boot and the PC will restart with none of the start-up programs running. Use the same procedure to reverse this action.

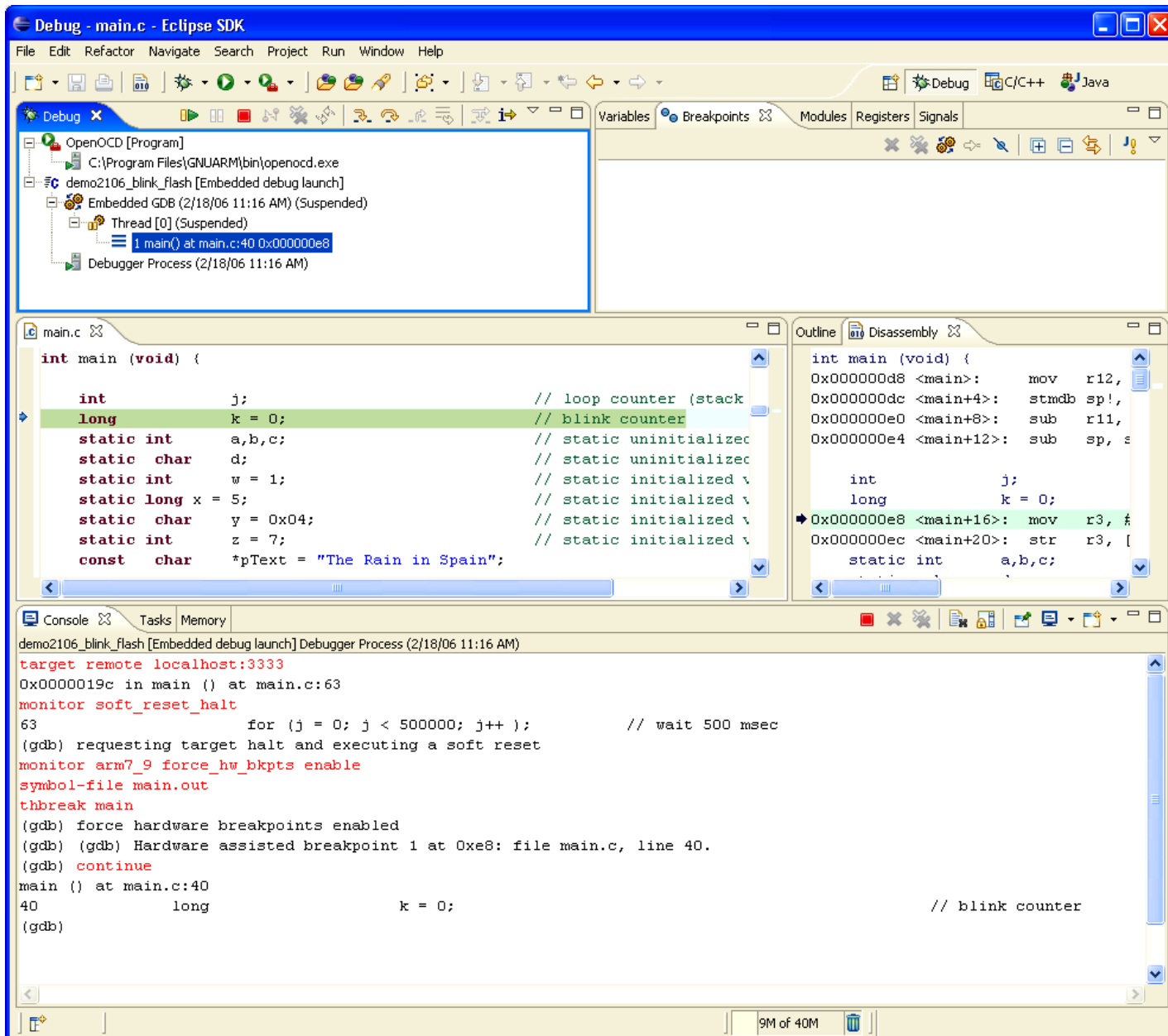
## Start the Debugger

Our “Debug Configuration” has been defined and we’ve switched to the Debug perspective. We started the **IOPerm** and the **OpenOCD** utility and verified that it’s working.

Now is the time to start the debugger. If the “Embedded Debug Launch” configuration “**demo2106\_blink\_flash**” was the last configuration accessed above, clicking on the “Bug” button will suffice. If you’re not sure, use the pull-down” arrow to see exactly what configuration will be started. Click on “**demo2106\_blink\_flash**” to start the debugger.



The Eclipse Debugger will start and you should see your startup GDB commands set up earlier execute in the console view, as shown below.

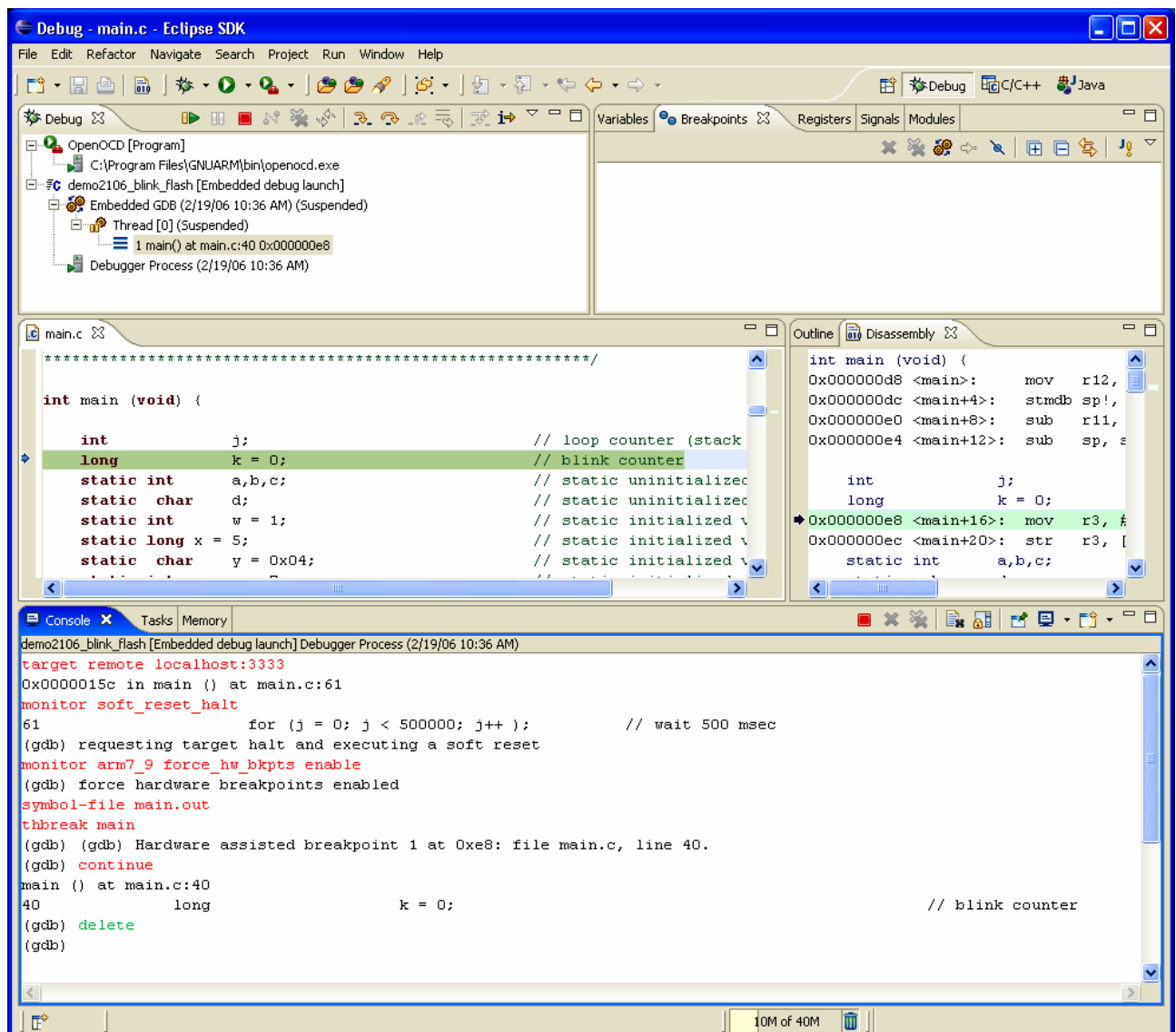


Note above that the debugger has stopped at `main()`. Well, sort of stopped there; it stopped a few instructions (line 40) after the entry point `main()`.

## Starting from Main

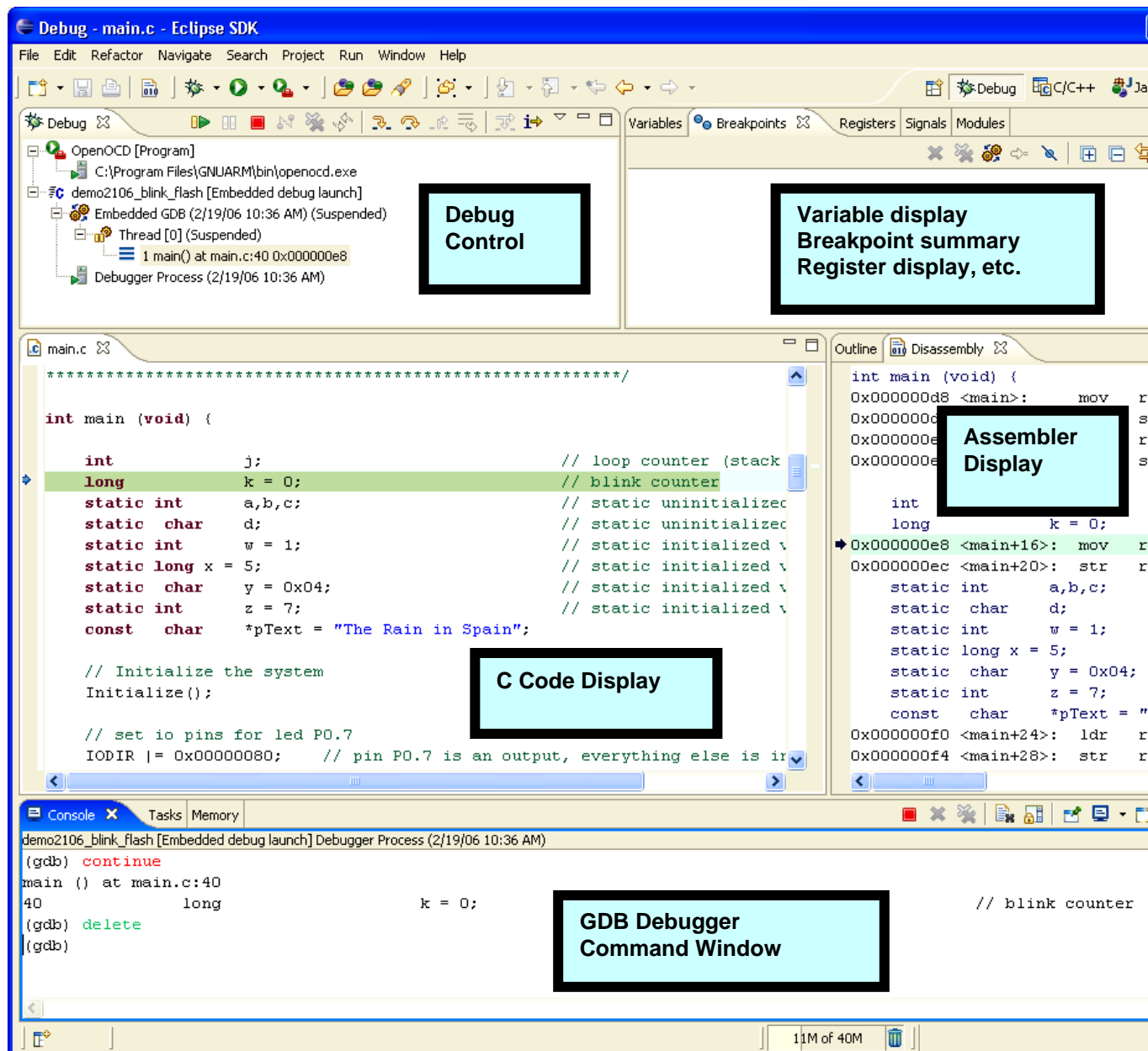
The debugger has stopped at the main() program; we specified this earlier in our GDB startup command script.

Note that in the Debug view, the **Thread[0]** is suspended at line 40 of main. With embedded cross development, we only have one execution thread. Code targeted for the PC platform can have multiple threads of execution.

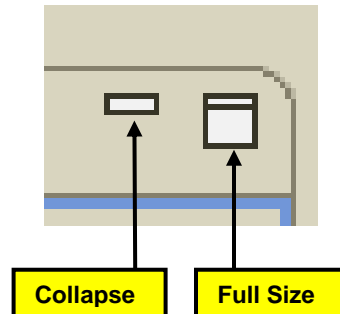


## Components of the DEBUG Perspective

Before operating the Eclipse debugger, let's review the components of the Debug perspective.

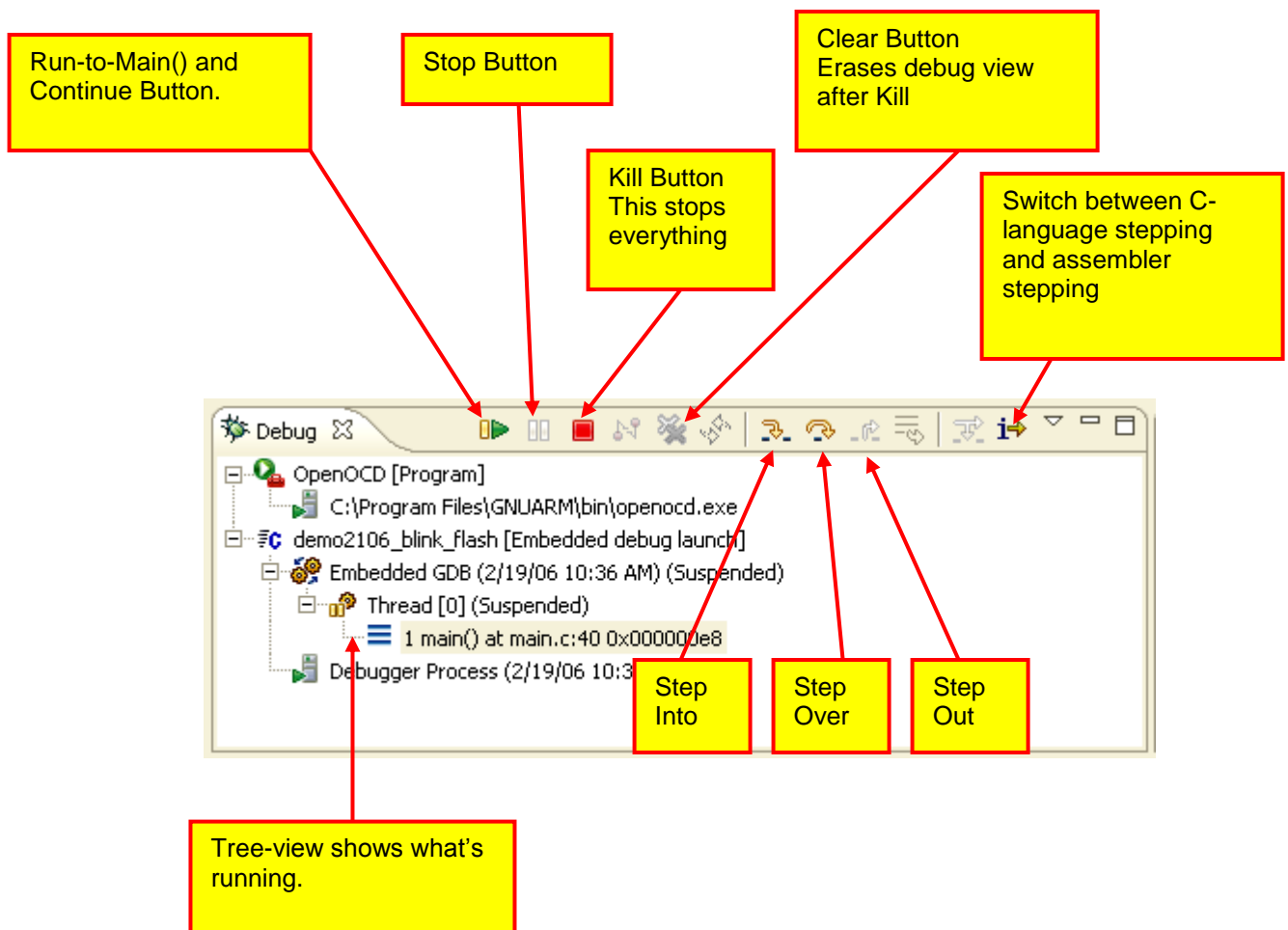


While this may be obvious to most, you can minimize and restore any of the windows in the Debug perspective by clicking on the “maximize” and “restore down” buttons at the top right corner of each window.



## Debug Control

The Debug view should be on display at all times. It has the **Run**, **Stop** and **Step** buttons. The tree-structured display shows what is running; in this case it's the **OpenOCD** utility and our application, shown as **Thread[0]**.



## Notes:

- When you resume execution by clicking on the Run/Continue button, many of the buttons are “grayed out.” Click on “Thread[0]” to highlight it and the buttons will re-appear. This is due to the possibility of multiple threads running simultaneously and you must choose which thread to pause or step. In our ARM development system, we only have one thread.
- You can only set two breakpoints at a time. If you are stepping, you should have no breakpoints set since Eclipse needs the hardware breakpoints for single-stepping.
- If you re-compile your application, you must stop the debugger, re-build and burn the main.hex file into FLASH using the Philips LPC2000 Flash Utility. The Eclipse/GDB debugger cannot program FLASH memory.

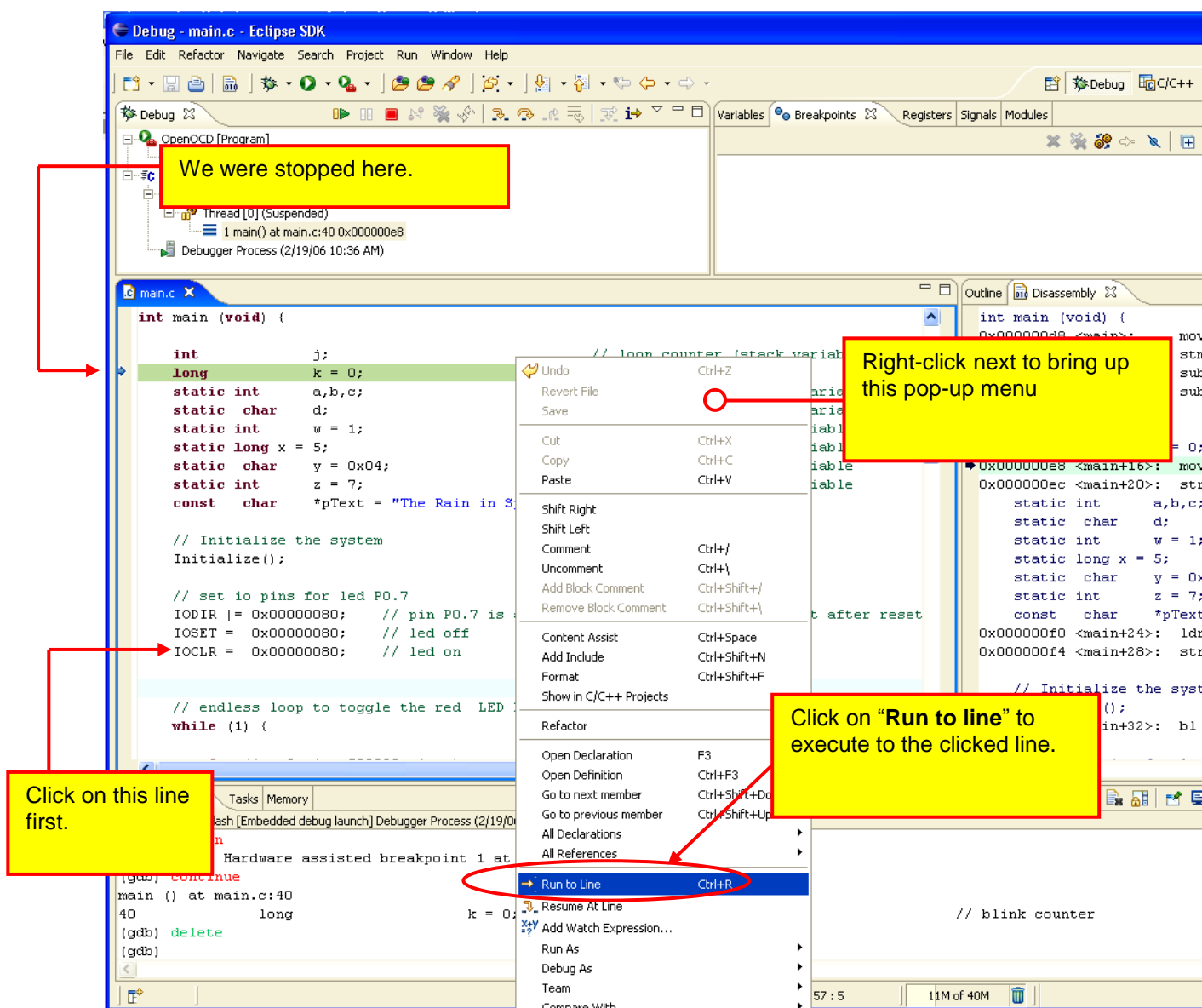


## Run and Stop with the Right-Click Menu

The easiest method of running is to employ the right-click menu. In the example below, the blue arrowhead cursor indicates where the program is currently stopped.

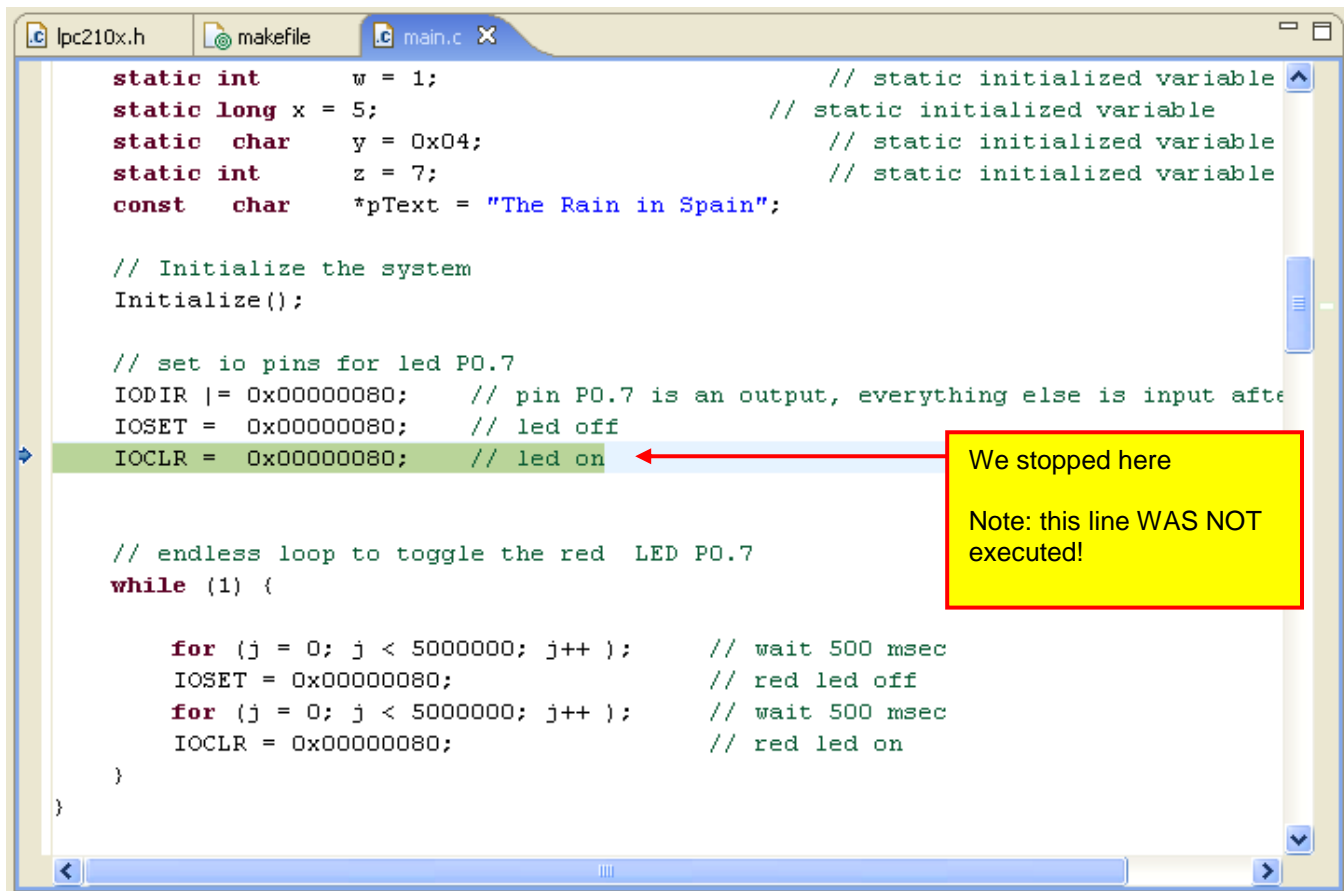
To go to the **IOCLR = 0x00000080;** statement several lines away, click on the line where you want to go (this should highlight the line and place the cursor there).

Now **right click** on that line. Notice that the rather large pop-up menu has a “**Run to Line**” option.



When you click on the “**Run to line**” choice, the program will execute to the line the cursor resides on and then stop (N.B. it will not execute the line).

You can right-click the “**Resume at Line**” choice to continue execution from that point. If there are no other breakpoints set, then the Blink application will start blinking continuously.



```
static int w = 1; // static initialized variable
static long x = 5; // static initialized variable
static char y = 0x04; // static initialized variable
static int z = 7; // static initialized variable
const char *pText = "The Rain in Spain";

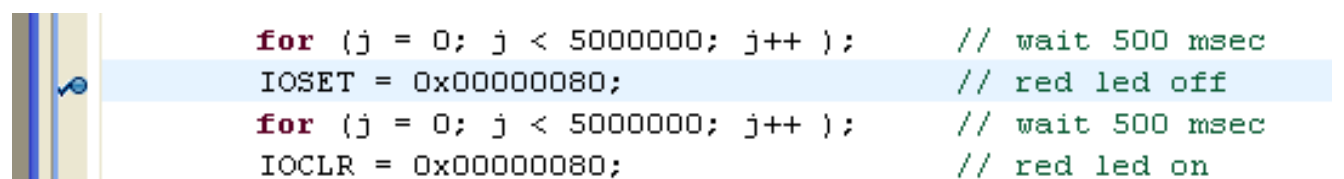
// Initialize the system
Initialize();

// set io pins for led P0.7
IODIR |= 0x00000080; // pin P0.7 is an output, everything else is input after
IOSET = 0x00000080; // led off
IOCLR = 0x00000080; // led on

// endless loop to toggle the red LED P0.7
while (1) {
    for (j = 0; j < 5000000; j++ ); // wait 500 msec
    IOSET = 0x00000080; // red led off
    for (j = 0; j < 5000000; j++ ); // wait 500 msec
    IOCLR = 0x00000080; // red led on
}
```

## Setting a Breakpoint

Setting a breakpoint is very simple; just double-click on the far left edge of the line. Double-clicking on the same spot will remove it.



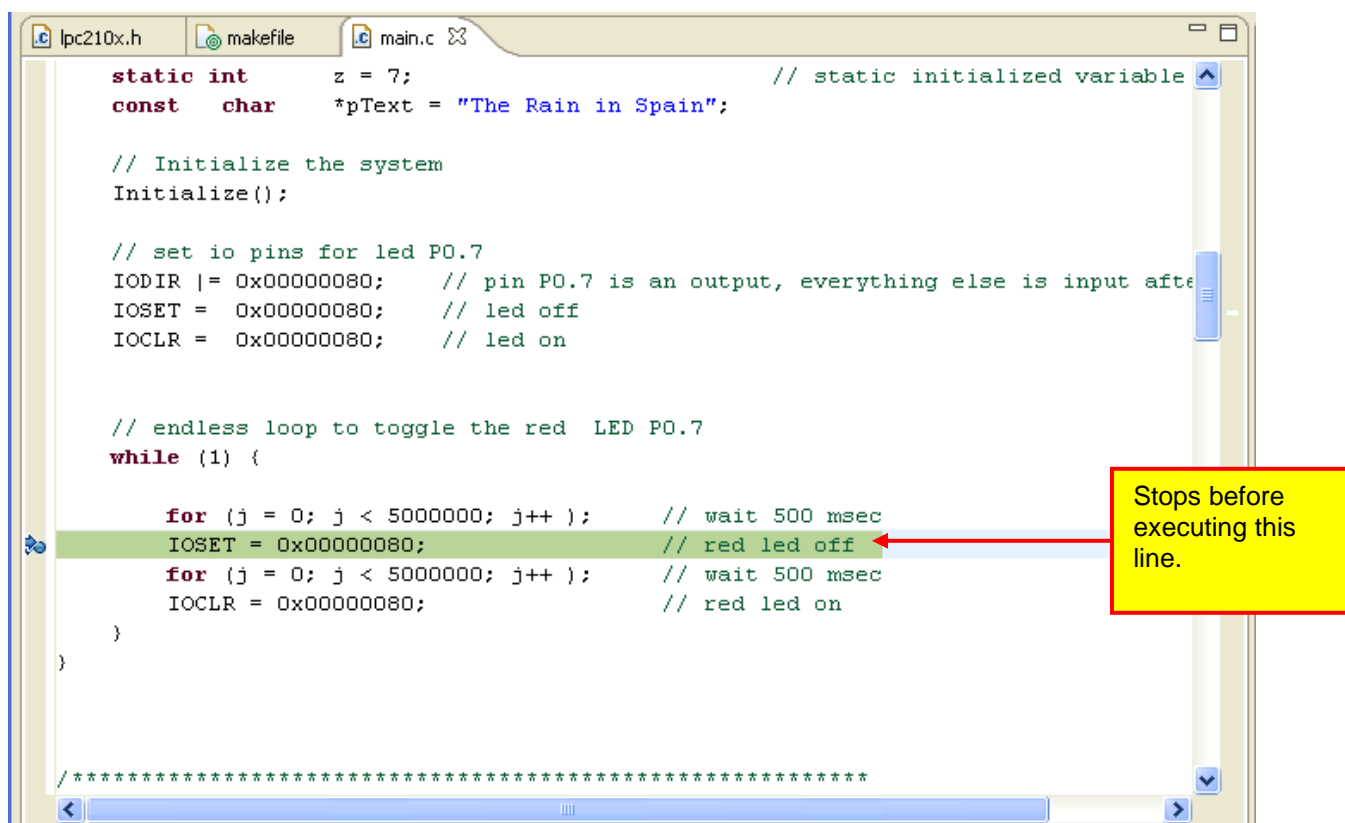
```
for (j = 0; j < 5000000; j++ ); // wait 500 msec
IOSET = 0x00000080; // red led off
for (j = 0; j < 5000000; j++ ); // wait 500 msec
IOCLR = 0x00000080; // red led on
```



Now click on the “Run/Continue” button in the Debug view.

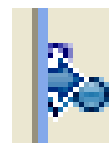


Assuming that this is the only breakpoint set, the program will execute to the breakpoint line and stop.

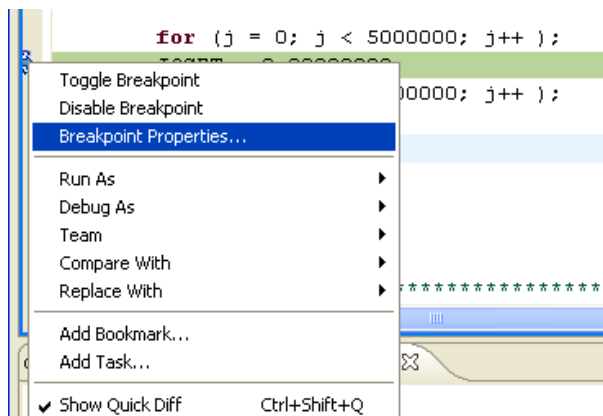


Since this is a FLASH application and breakpoints are “hardware” breakpoints, you are limited to **only two breakpoints specified at a time**. Setting more than two breakpoints will cause the debugger to malfunction!

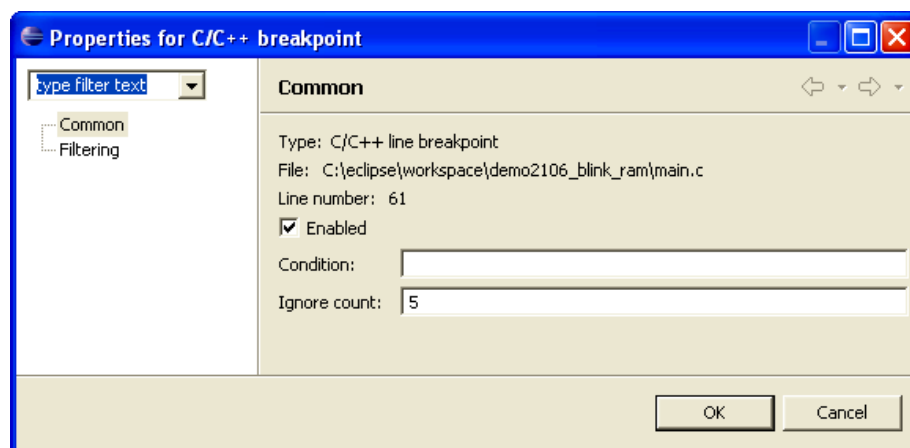
The breakpoints can be more complex. For example, to ignore the breakpoint 5 times and then stop, right-click on the breakpoint symbol on the far left.



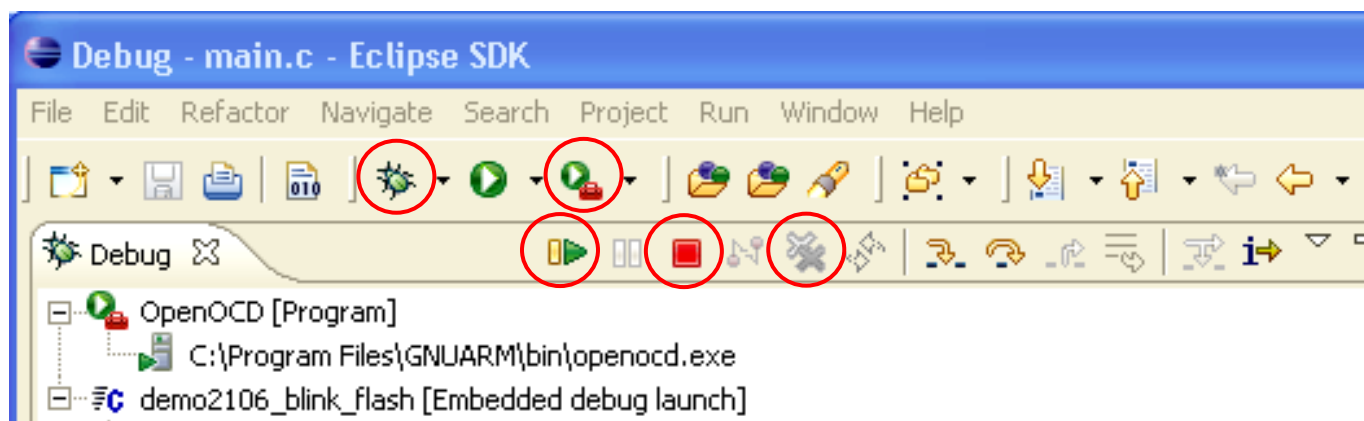
This brings up the pop-up menu below and click on “Breakpoint Properties ...”.



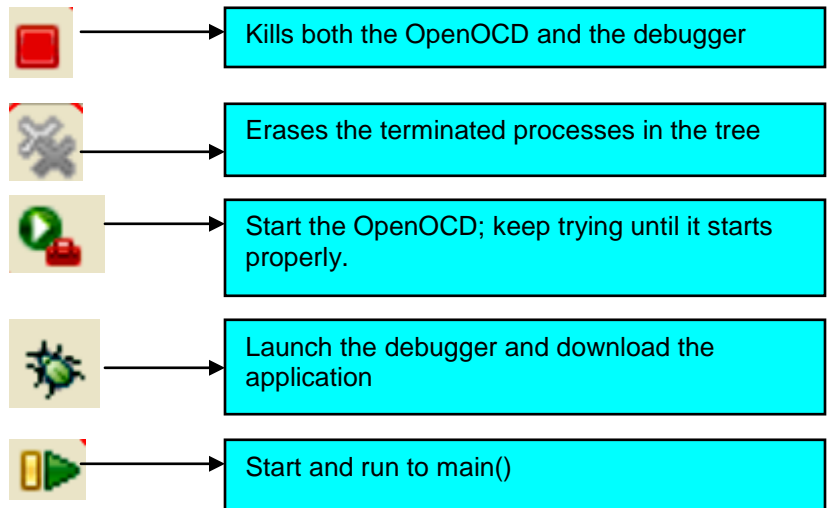
In the “**Properties for C/C++ breakpoint**” window, set the **Ignore Count** to 5. This means that the debugger will ignore the first five times it encounters the breakpoint and then stop.



To test this setup, we must terminate and re-launch the debugger.



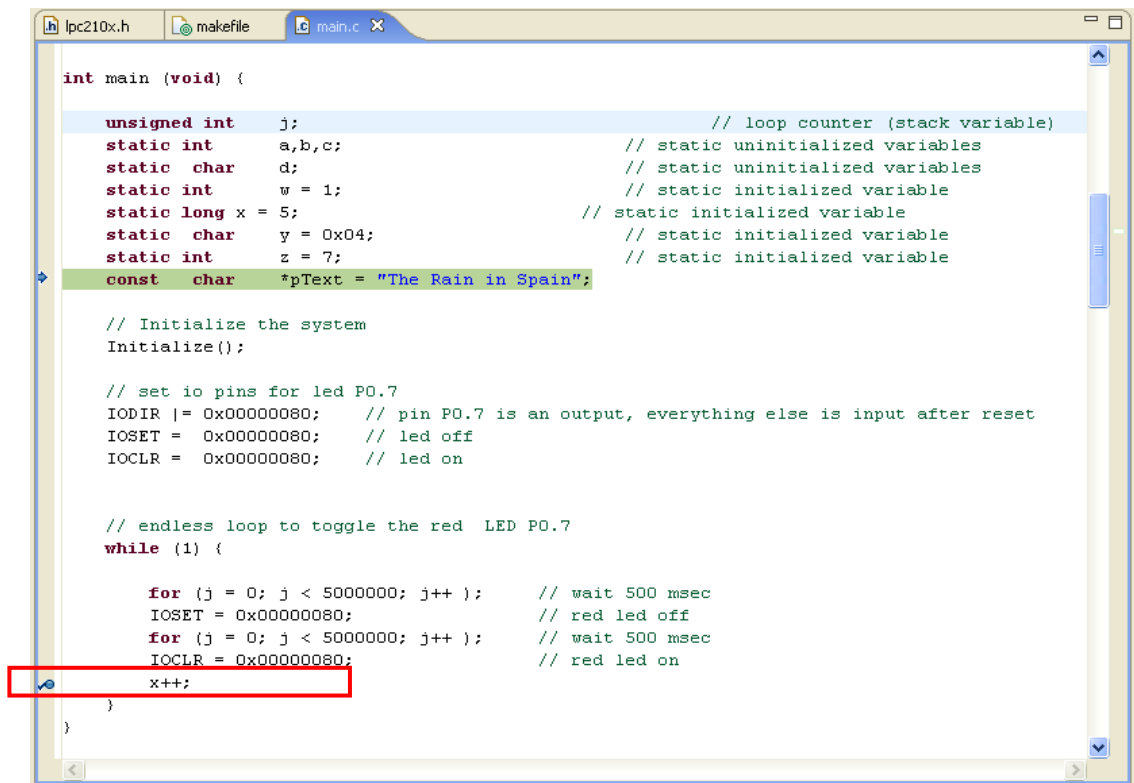
Get used to this sequence:



Now when you hit the **Run/Continue** button again, the program will blink 5 times and stop. Don't expect this feature to run in real-time. Each time the breakpoint is encountered the debugger will automatically continue until the "ignore" count is reached. This involves quite a bit of debugger communication at a very slow baud rate. The "wiggler" works by bit-banging the PC's parallel LPT1 port; this limits the JTAG speed to less than 500 kHz.

In addition to specifying a "ignore" count, the breakpoint can be made **conditional** on an expression. The general idea is that you set a breakpoint and then specify a conditional expression that must be met before the debugger will stop on the specified source line.

In this example, a line has been added to the blink loop that increments a variable "x". Double-click on that line to set a breakpoint.

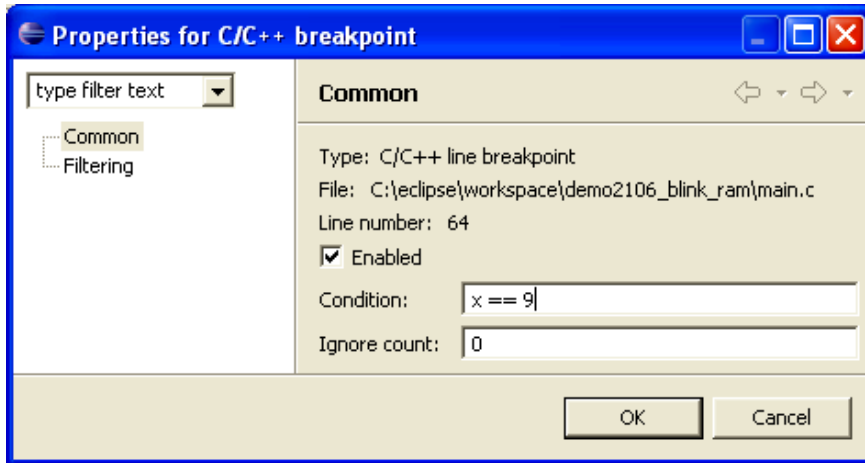


The screenshot shows a code editor window with three tabs: 'lpc210x.h', 'makefile', and 'main.c'. The 'main.c' tab is active, displaying the following C code:

```
int main (void) {  
  
    unsigned int    j;                // loop counter (stack variable)  
    static int      a,b,c;            // static uninitialized variables  
    static char     d;                // static uninitialized variables  
    static int      w = 1;            // static initialized variable  
    static long x = 5;                // static initialized variable  
    static char     y = 0x04;         // static initialized variable  
    static int      z = 7;            // static initialized variable  
    const char      *pText = "The Rain in Spain";  
  
    // Initialize the system  
    Initialize();  
  
    // set io pins for led P0.7  
    IODIR |= 0x00000080; // pin P0.7 is an output, everything else is input after reset  
    IOSET = 0x00000080; // led off  
    IOCLR = 0x00000080; // led on  
  
    // endless loop to toggle the red LED P0.7  
    while (1) {  
  
        for (j = 0; j < 5000000; j++ ); // wait 500 msec  
        IOSET = 0x00000080; // red led off  
        for (j = 0; j < 5000000; j++ ); // wait 500 msec  
        IOCLR = 0x00000080; // red led on  
        x++;  
    }  
}
```

A red rectangle highlights the line 'x++;' within the while loop, and a blue breakpoint symbol (a small circle with a diagonal line) is positioned to the left of this line in the editor's margin.

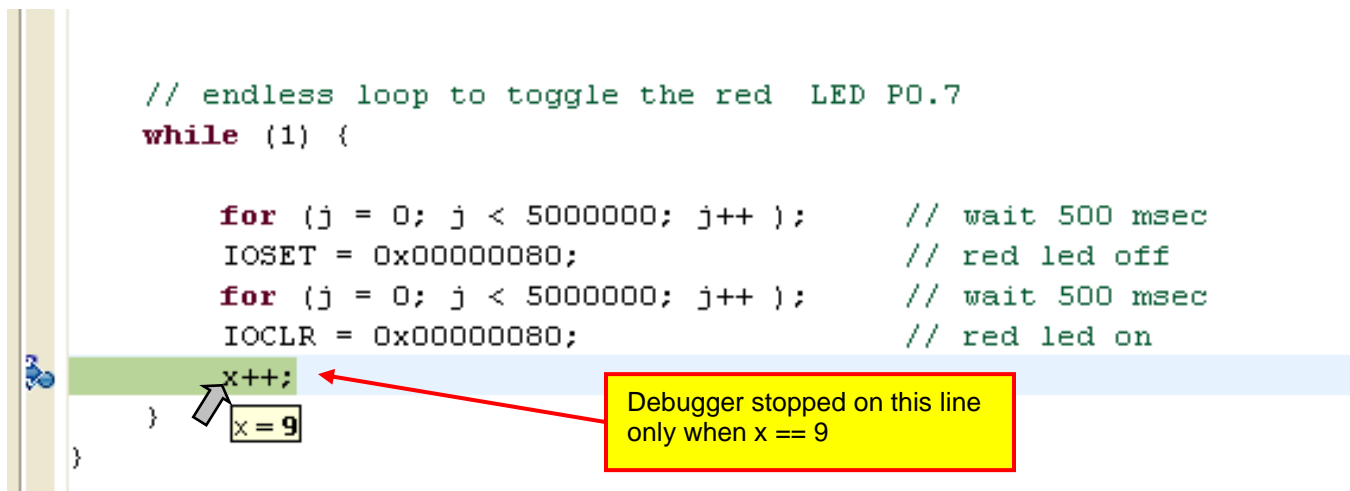
Right click on the breakpoint symbol and select "**Breakpoint Properties**". In the Breakpoint Properties window, set the condition text box to "**x == 9**".





If you need to restart the debugger, you need to **kill the OpenOCD and the Debugger and then restart both**; as specified above. This is necessary for this release of CDT because the “Restart” button appears inoperative. The advantage is that you don’t have to change the Eclipse perspective – just stay in the Debug perspective.

Start the application and it will stop on the breakpoint line (this will take a long time, 9 seconds on my Dell computer). If you park the cursor over the variable x after the program has suspended on the breakpoint, it will display that the current value is 9.



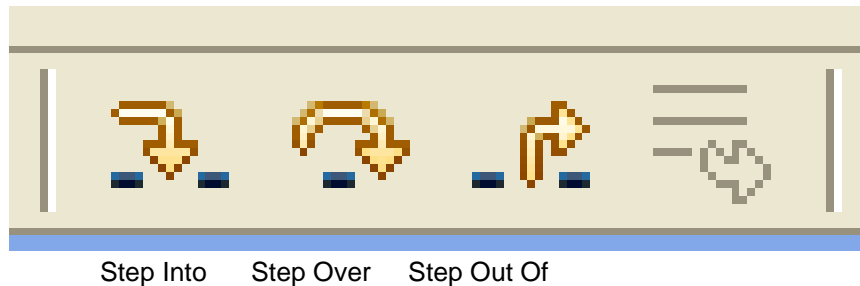
If you specify that it should break when `x == 50000`, you will essentially wait forever. The way this works, the debugger breaks on the selected source line every pass through that source line and then queries via JTAG for the current value of the variable `x`. When `x==50000`, the debugger will stop. Obviously, that requires a lot of serial communication at a very slow baud rate. Still, you may find some use for this feature.

In the Breakpoint Summary view, shown directly below, you can see all the breakpoints you have created and the right-click menu lets you change the properties, remove or disable any of the breakpoints, etc. The example below shows one conditional breakpoint that will stop on source line 64 only if the variable `x` is equal to 9.



## Single Stepping

Single-stepping is the single most useful feature in any debugging environment. The debug view has three buttons to support this.



### Step Into



If the cursor is at a function call, this will step **into** the function.  
It will stop at the first instruction inside the function.

If cursor is on any other line, this will execute one instruction.

### Step Over



If the cursor is at a function call, this will step **over** the function. It will execute the entire function and stop on the next instruction after the function call.

If cursor is on any other line, this will execute one instruction

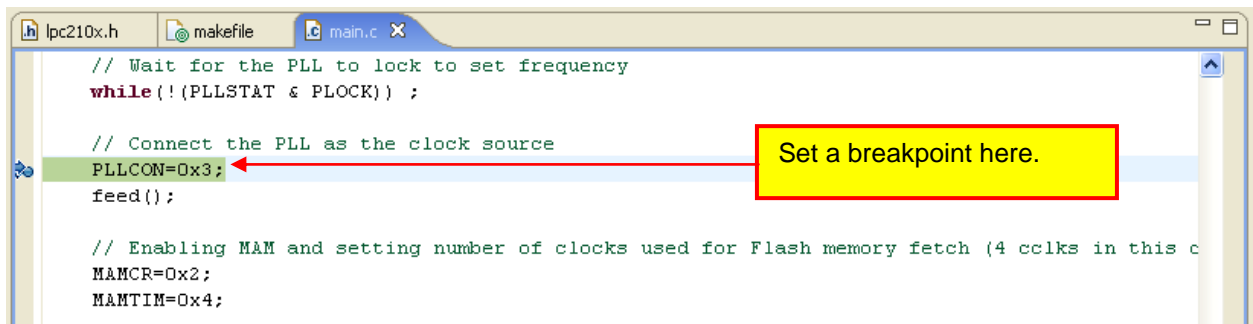
### Step Out Of



If the cursor is within a function, this will execute the remaining instructions in the function and stop on the next instruction after the function call.

This button will be “grayed-out” if cursor is not within a function.

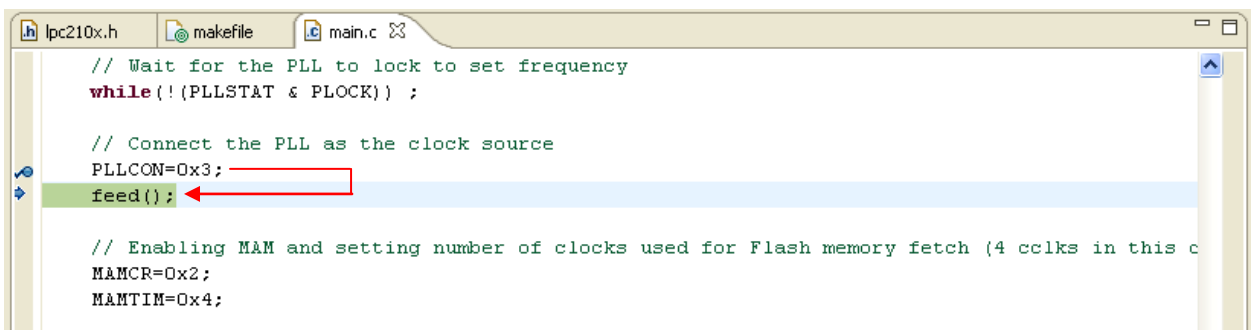
As a simple example, restart the debugger and set a breakpoint on a line in the **Initialize()** function. Hit the **Start** button to go to that breakpoint.



Click the “**Step Over**” button



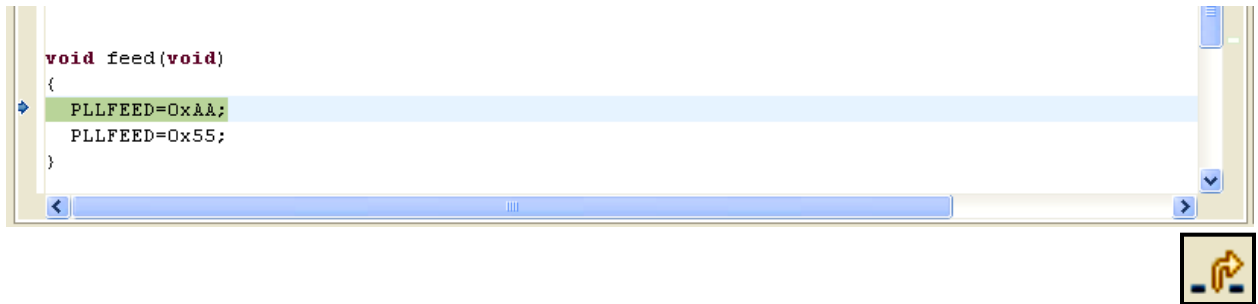
The debugger will execute one instruction.



Click the “**Step Into**” button



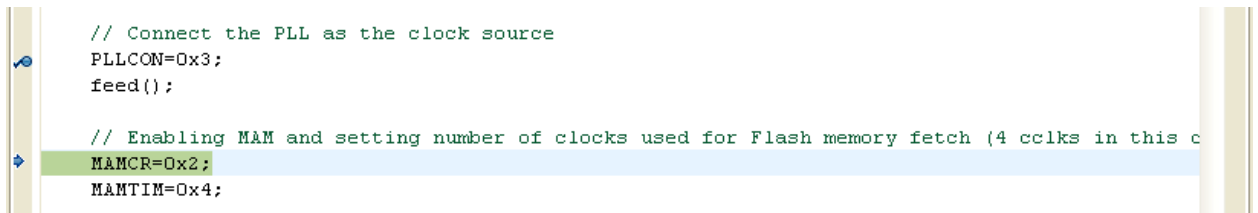
The debugger will enter the `feed()` function.



```
void feed(void)
{
    PLLFEED=0xAA;
    PLLFEED=0x55;
}
```

The screenshot shows a code editor window with a C function named `feed`. The function body contains two lines: `PLLFEED=0xAA;` and `PLLFEED=0x55;`. The first line is highlighted in green. A blue arrow points to the start of the function. A horizontal scrollbar is visible at the bottom of the editor. To the right of the editor, there is a vertical toolbar with a button that has a right-pointing arrow and a small square, which is the 'Step Out Of' button mentioned in the text.

Notice that the “**Step Out Of**” button is illuminated. Click the “**Step Out Of**” button  
The debugger will execute the remaining instructions in `feed()` and return to just after the function call.



```
// Connect the PLL as the clock source
PLLCON=0x3;
feed();

// Enabling MAM and setting number of clocks used for Flash memory fetch (4 cclks in this c
MAMCR=0x2;
MAMTIM=0x4;
```

The screenshot shows a code editor window with C code. The first section is a comment `// Connect the PLL as the clock source` followed by `PLLCON=0x3;` and `feed();`. The second section is a comment `// Enabling MAM and setting number of clocks used for Flash memory fetch (4 cclks in this c` followed by `MAMCR=0x2;` and `MAMTIM=0x4;`. The line `MAMCR=0x2;` is highlighted in green. A blue arrow points to the start of the second section. A horizontal scrollbar is visible at the bottom of the editor.

## Inspecting and Modifying Variables

Before proceeding on this topic, let's add a couple of structured variables to the simple blinker test program. After rebuilding the application, using the Philips Flash Programming utility to re-program the flash with the new executable and re-launching the debugger, we can inspect variables once a breakpoint has been encountered.

```
/* *****
   Function declarations
   ***** */

void Initialize(void);
void feed(void);

void IRQ_Routine (void)  __attribute__ ((interrupt("IRQ")));
void FIQ_Routine (void)  __attribute__ ((interrupt("FIQ")));
void SWI_Routine (void)  __attribute__ ((interrupt("SWI")));
void UNDEF_Routine (void) __attribute__ ((interrupt("UNDEF")));

/*****
   Header files
   *****/
#include "LPC210x.h"

/*****
   Global Variables
   *****/
int    q;           // global uninitialized variable
int    r;           // global uninitialized variable
int    s;           // global uninitialized variable

short  h = 2;       // global initialized variable
short  i = 3;       // global initialized variable
char   j = 6;       // global initialized variable

struct comms {
    int    nbytes;
    char*   pBuf;
    char    buffer[32];
} channel = {5, &channel.buffer[0], {"Faster than a speeding bullet"}};

/*****
   MAIN
   *****/

int main (void) {

    unsigned int    j;           // loop counter (stack variable)
    static int      a,b,c;       // static uninitialized variables
    static char     d;           // static uninitialized variables
    static int      w = 1;       // static initialized variable
    static long     x = 5;       // static initialized variable
    static char     y = 0x04;    // static initialized variable
    static int      z = 7;       // static initialized variable
    const char      *pText = "The Rain in Spain";

    struct EntryLock {
        long    key;
        int     nAccesses;
        char    name[16];
    } Access = {14705, 0, "Spiderman"};

    // Initialize the system
    Initialize();

    // set io pins for led PO.7
    IODIR |= 0x00000080; // pin PO.7 is an output, everything else is input after reset
    IOSET = 0x00000080;  // led off
    IOCLR = 0x00000080;  // led on

    // endless loop to toggle the red LED PO.7
```

The simple way to inspect variables is to just park the cursor over the variable name in the source window; the current value will pop up in a tiny text box. Execution must be stopped for this to work; either by breakpoint or pause.

```
static char y = 0x04;
static int z = 7;
const char txt = "The Rain in Spain";
```

Text cursor is parked over the variable "z"

```
struct EntryLock {
    long key;
    int nAccesses;
    char name[16];
} Access = {14705, 0, "Spiderman"};
```

For a structured variable, parking the cursor over the variable name will show the values of all the internal component parts.

```
static char y = 0x04; // static initialized variable
static int z = 7; // static initialized variable
const char *pText = "The Rain in Spain";
```

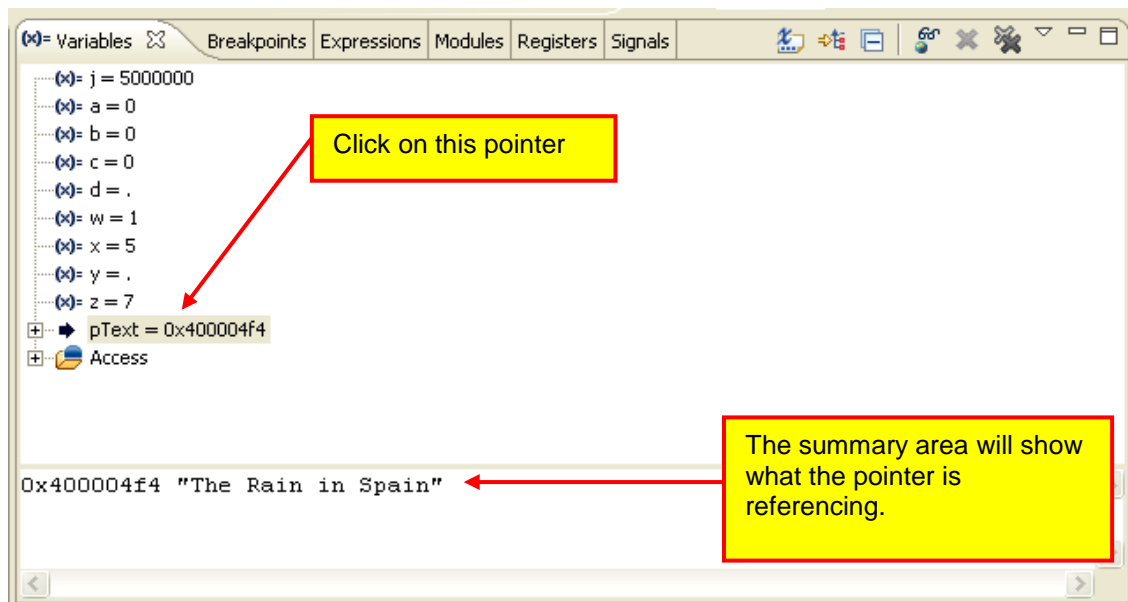
```
struct EntryLock {
    long key;
    int nAccesses;
    char name[16];
} Access = {14705, 0, "Spiderman"};
// Initialize the system
Initialize();
```

Text cursor is parked over the variable "Access"

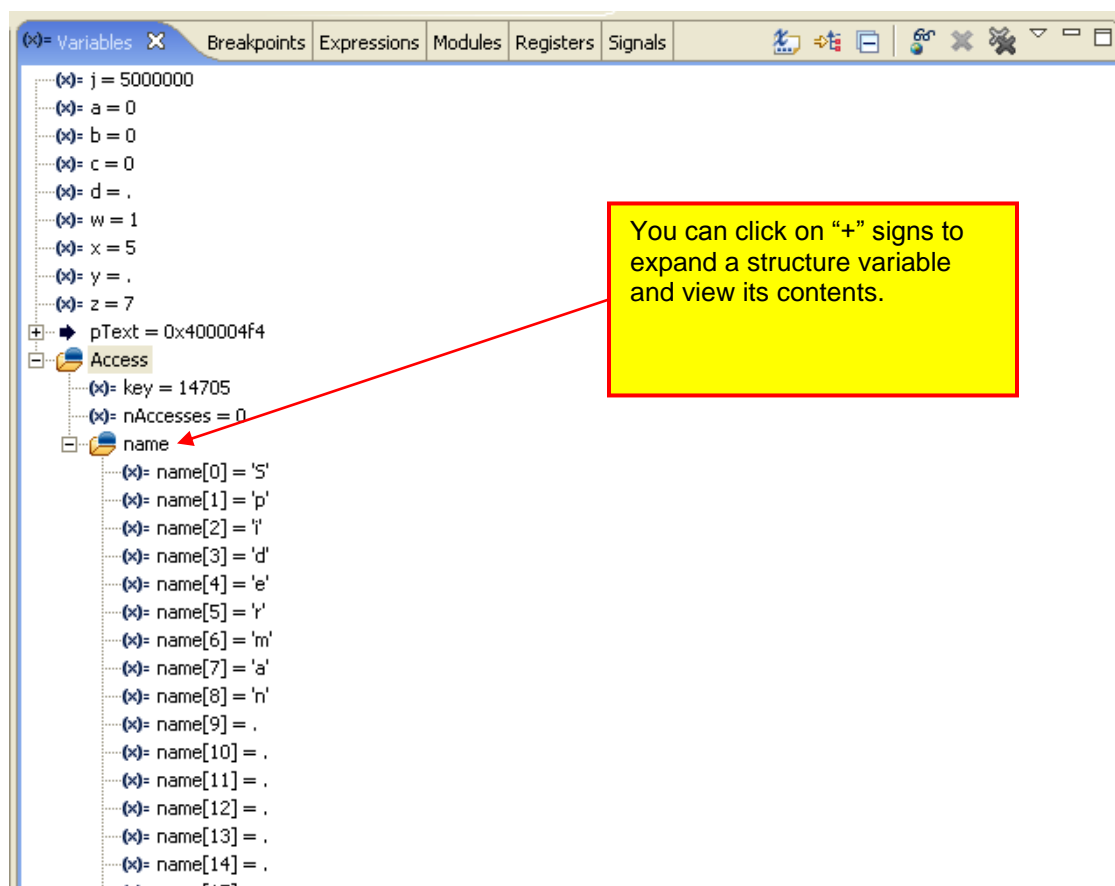
```
// set io pins for led P0.7
IODIR |= 0x00000080; // pin P0.7 is an output, everything else is input after rese
```

Another way to look at the local variables is to inspect the "Variables" view. This will automatically display all automatic variables in the current stack frame. It can also display any global variables that you choose. For simple scalar variables, the value is printed next to the variable name.

If you click on a variable, its value appears in the summary area at the bottom. This is handy for a structured variable or a pointer; wherein the debugger will expand the variable in the summary area.



The Variables view can also expand structures. Just click on any "+" signs you see to expand the structure and view its contents.



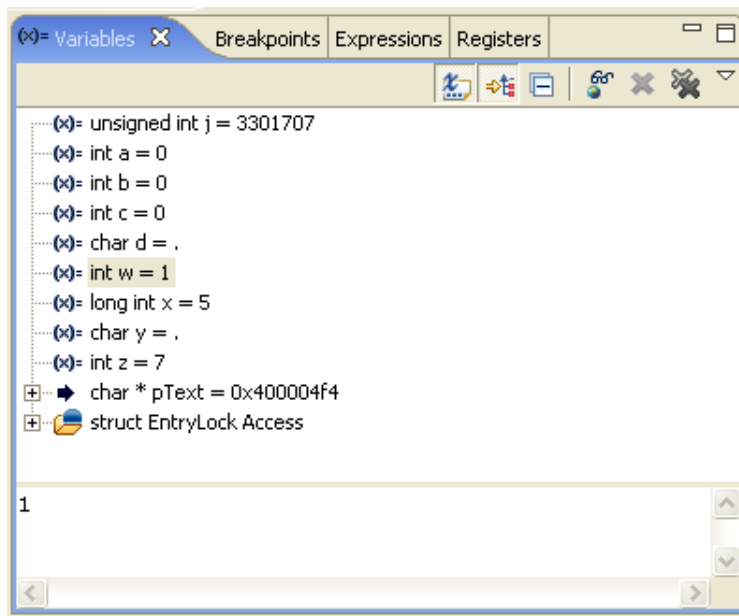




If you click on the “Show Type Names” button,



each variable name will be



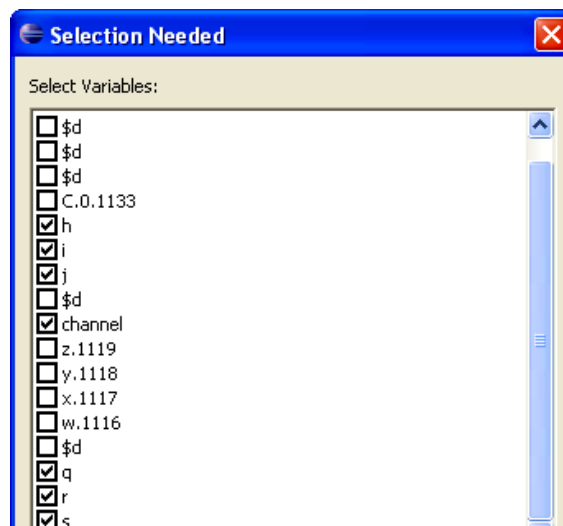
Global variables have to be individually selected for display within the “Variables” view.

Use the “Add Global Variables” button



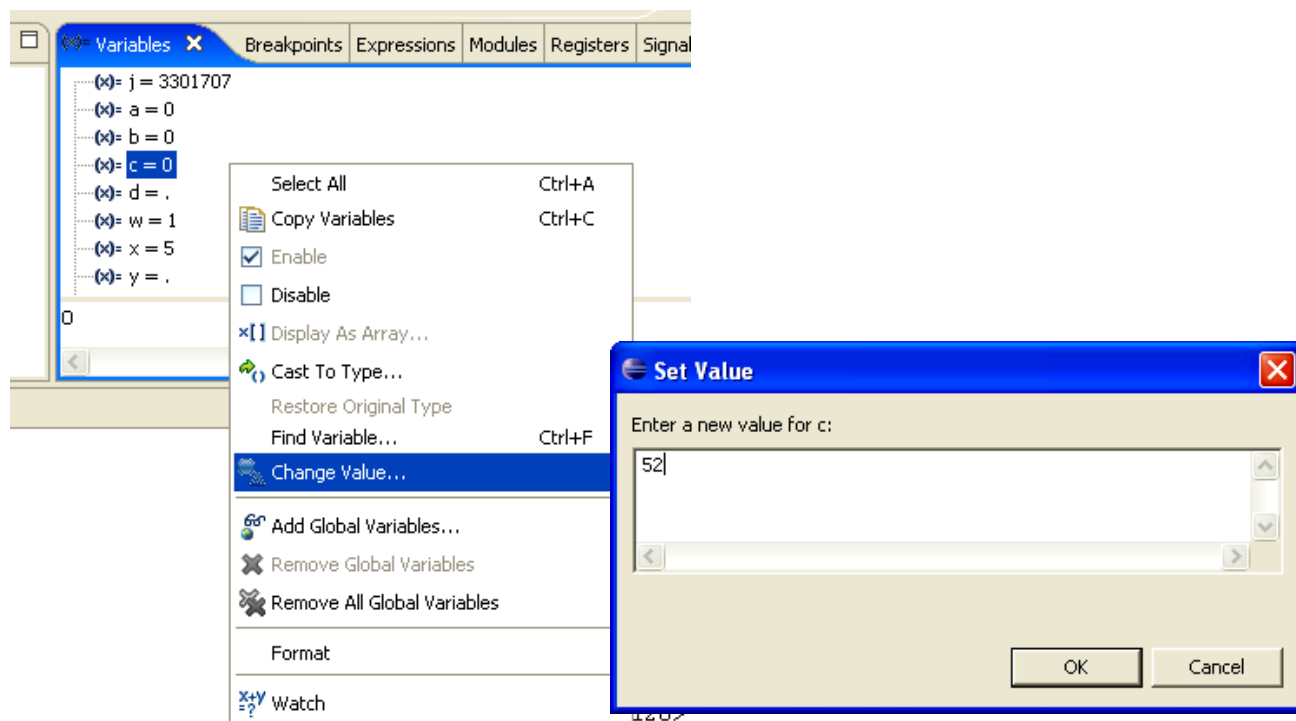
to open the selection dialog.

Check the variables you want to display and then click “OK” add them to the **Variables** view,

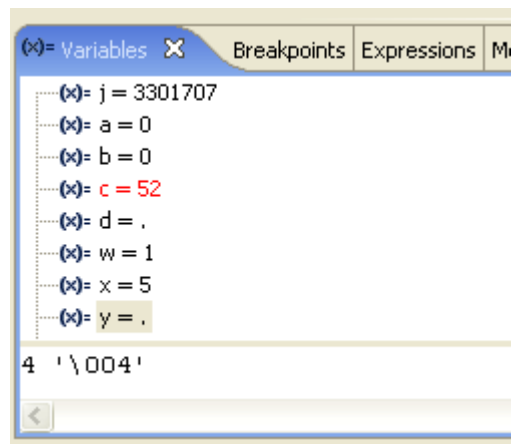


Note: not sure what the extra variables are. Might be a CDT bug?

You can easily change the value of a variable at any time. Assuming that the debugger has stopped, click on the variable you wish to change and right click. In the right-click menu, select **“Change Value...”** and enter the new value into the pop-up window as shown below. In this example, we change the variable “c” to 52.



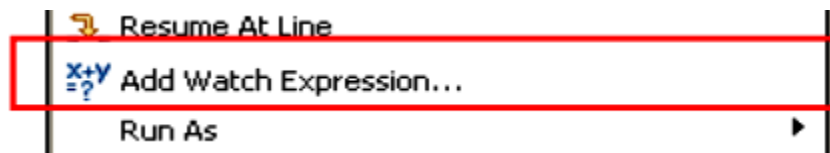
Now the **“Variables”** view should show the new value for the variable “c”. Note that it has been colored **red** to indicate that it has been changed.



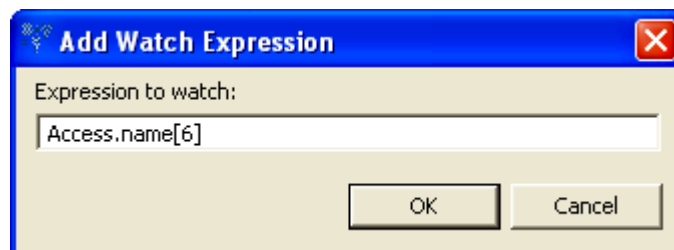
## Watch Expressions

The “Expressions” view can display the results of expressions (any legal C Language expression). Since it can pick any local or global variable, it forms the basis of a customizable variable display; showing only the information you want.

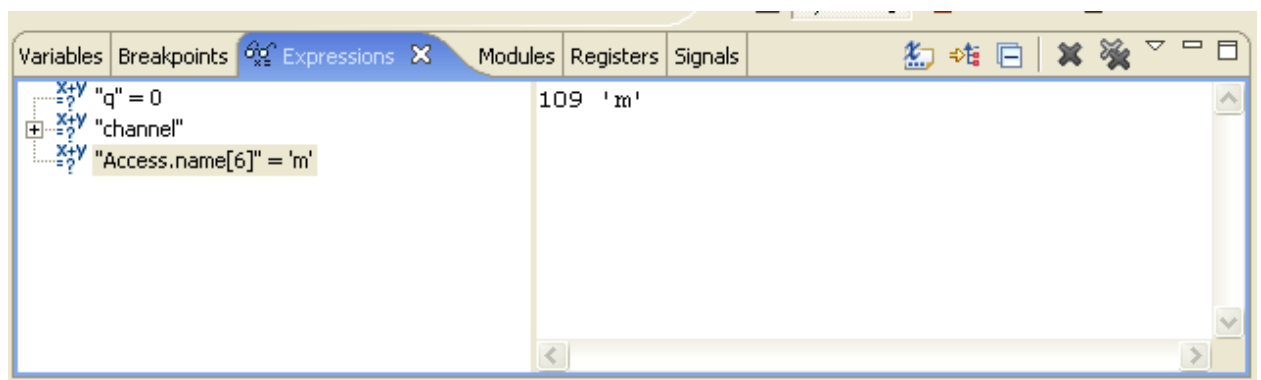
For example, to display the 6<sup>th</sup> character of the name in the structured variable “Access”, bring up the **right-click** menu and select “**Add Watch Expression...**”.



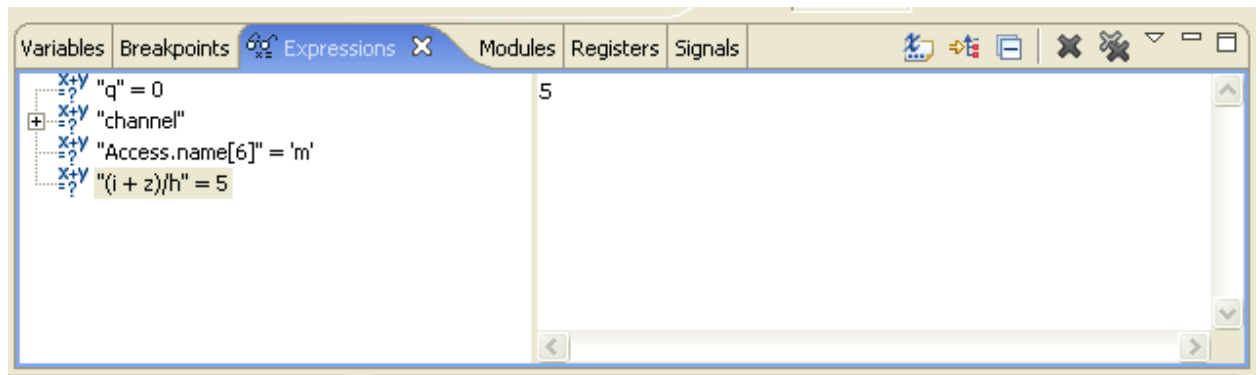
Enter the fully qualified name of the 6<sup>th</sup> character of the name[] array.



Note that it now appears in the “Expressions” view.



You can type in very complicated expressions. Here we defined the expression  $(i + z)/h$



## Assembly Language Debugging

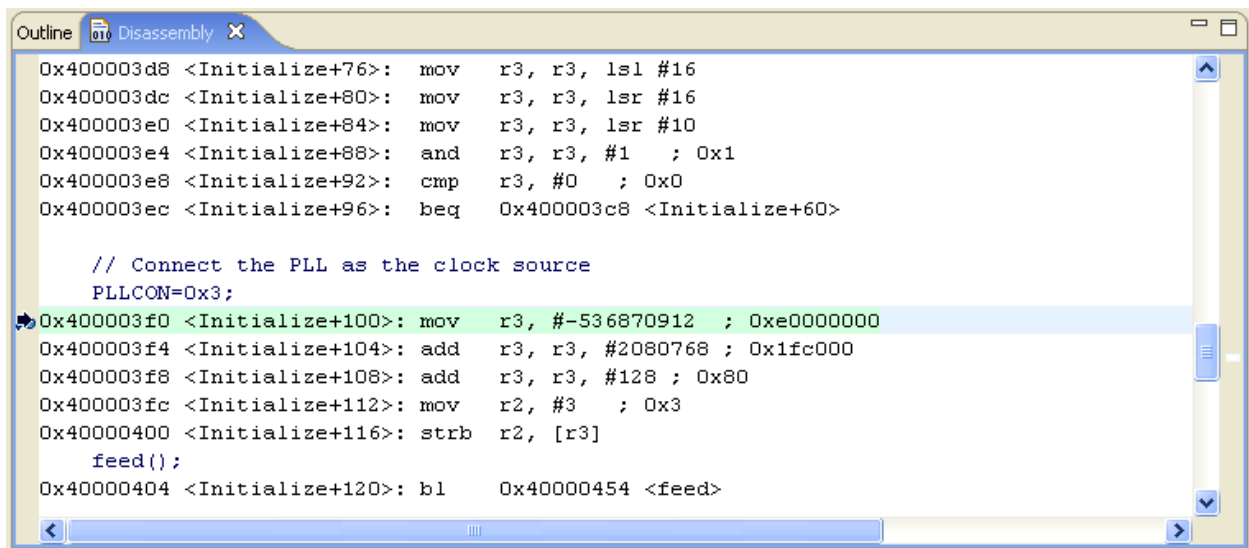
The Debug perspective includes an Assembly Language view.

If you click on the Instruction Stepping Mode toggle button in the Debug view,



the assembly language window becomes active and the single-step buttons apply to the assembler window. The single-step buttons will advance the program by a single assembler instruction. Note that the "Disassembly" tab lights up when the assembler view has control.

Note that the debugger is currently stopped at the assembler line at address **0x400003F0**.



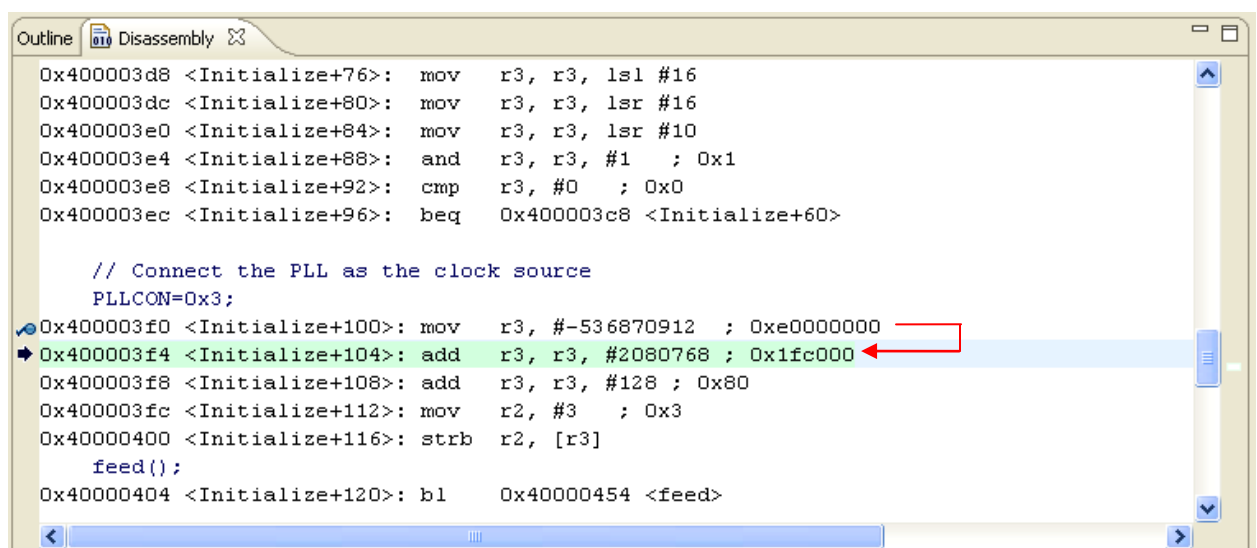
```
Outline  Disassembly  X
0x400003d8 <Initialize+76>: mov    r3, r3, lsl #16
0x400003dc <Initialize+80>: mov    r3, r3, lsr #16
0x400003e0 <Initialize+84>: mov    r3, r3, lsr #10
0x400003e4 <Initialize+88>: and    r3, r3, #1    ; 0x1
0x400003e8 <Initialize+92>: cmp    r3, #0    ; 0x0
0x400003ec <Initialize+96>: beq    0x400003c8 <Initialize+60>

    // Connect the PLL as the clock source
    PLLCON=0x3;
0x400003f0 <Initialize+100>: mov    r3, #-536870912 ; 0xe0000000
0x400003f4 <Initialize+104>: add    r3, r3, #2080768 ; 0x1fc000
0x400003f8 <Initialize+108>: add    r3, r3, #128 ; 0x80
0x400003fc <Initialize+112>: mov    r2, #3    ; 0x3
0x40000400 <Initialize+116>: strb   r2, [r3]
    feed();
0x40000404 <Initialize+120>: bl     0x40000454 <feed>
```

If we click the “**Step Over**” button



in the Debug view, the debugger will execute one assembler line.



```
Outline  Disassembly  X
0x400003d8 <Initialize+76>: mov    r3, r3, lsl #16
0x400003dc <Initialize+80>: mov    r3, r3, lsr #16
0x400003e0 <Initialize+84>: mov    r3, r3, lsr #10
0x400003e4 <Initialize+88>: and    r3, r3, #1    ; 0x1
0x400003e8 <Initialize+92>: cmp    r3, #0    ; 0x0
0x400003ec <Initialize+96>: beq    0x400003c8 <Initialize+60>

    // Connect the PLL as the clock source
    PLLCON=0x3;
0x400003f0 <Initialize+100>: mov    r3, #-536870912 ; 0xe0000000
0x400003f4 <Initialize+104>: add    r3, r3, #2080768 ; 0x1fc000
0x400003f8 <Initialize+108>: add    r3, r3, #128 ; 0x80
0x400003fc <Initialize+112>: mov    r2, #3    ; 0x3
0x40000400 <Initialize+116>: strb   r2, [r3]
    feed();
0x40000404 <Initialize+120>: bl     0x40000454 <feed>
```

The “**Step Into**” and “**Step Out Of**” buttons work in the same way as for C code.



## Inspecting Registers

Unfortunately, parking the cursor over a register name (R3 e.g.) does not pop up its current value. For that, you can refer to the “Registers” view.



Click on the “+” symbol next to Main and the registers will appear. The Philips LPC2106 doesn’t have any floating point registers so registers F0 through FPS are not applicable.

VariablesBreakpointsExpressionsModules1010101RegistersXSignals

1010101Main

1010101r0 = 110

1010101r1 = 0

1010101r2 = 85

1010101r3 = -534790004

1010101r4 = -536690688

1010101r5 = 2147482932

1010101r6 = 1073742120

1010101r7 = 0

1010101r8 = -1658272053

1010101r9 = -1109953485

1010101r10 = -2105601601

1010101r11 = 1073805976

1010101r12 = 1073805964

1010101sp = 1073805964

1010101lr = 1073742856

1010101pc = 1073742856

1010101f0 = 0

1010101f1 = 0

1010101f2 = 0

1010101f3 = 0

1010101f4 = 0

1010101f5 = 0

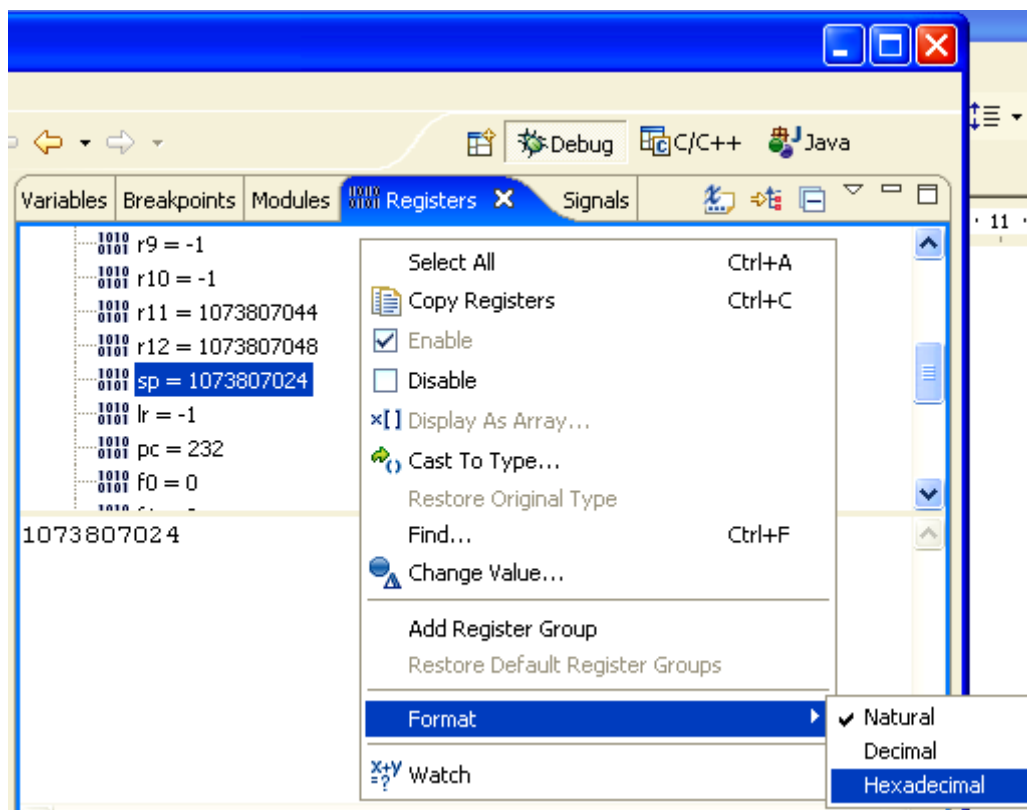
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1010101f7 = 0

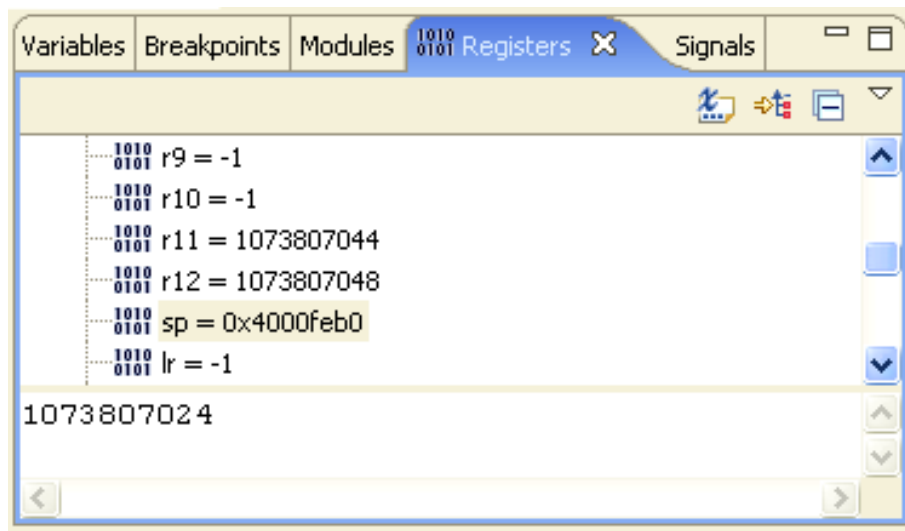
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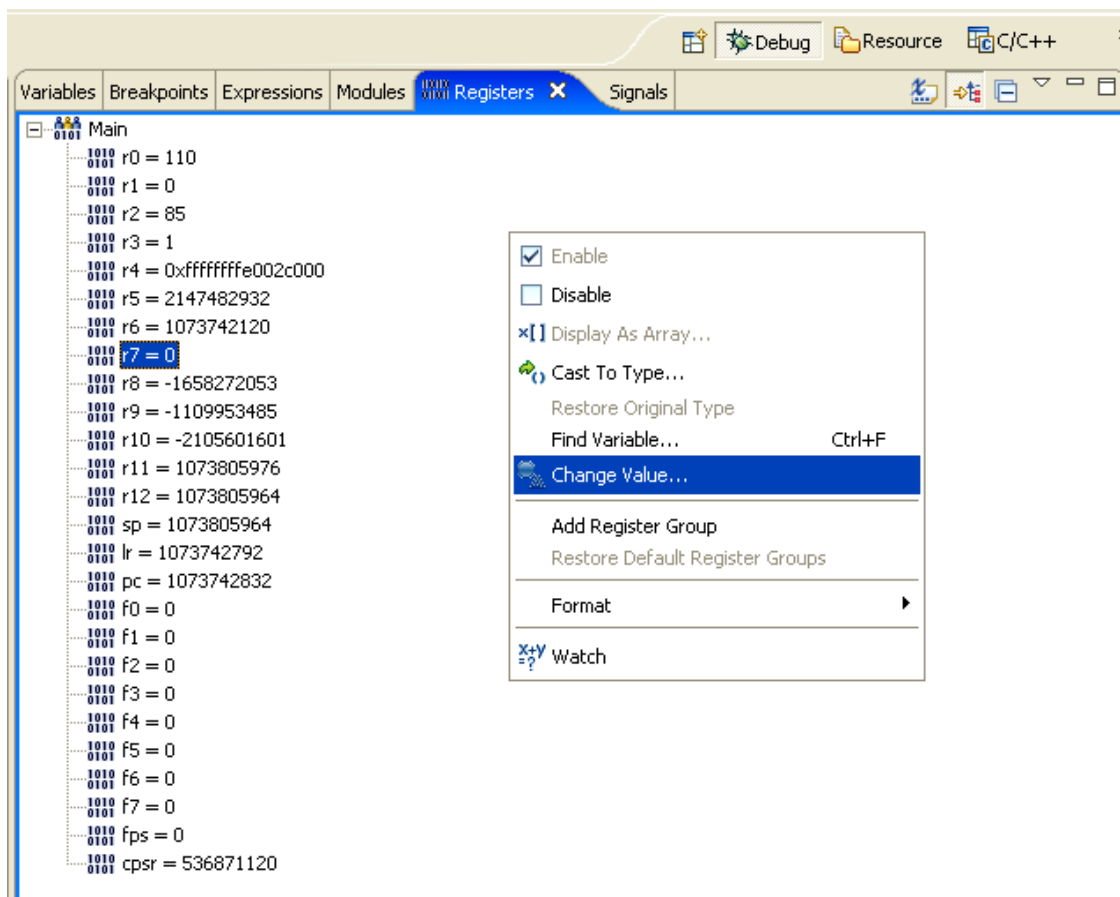
If you don't like a particular register's numeric format, you can click to highlight it and then bring up the right-click menu. The **"Format"** option permits you to change the numeric format to hexadecimal, for example.



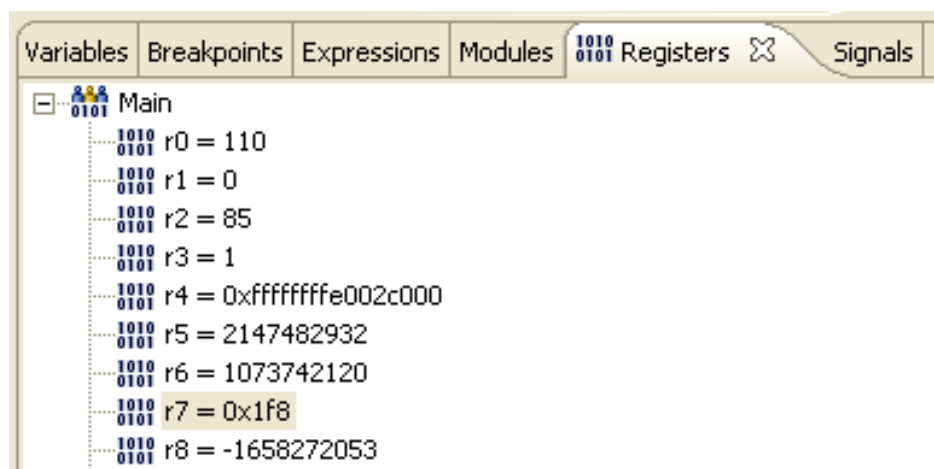
Now the register display shows **sp** in hexadecimal format.



Of course, the right click menu lets you change the value of any register. For example, to change **r7** from **zero** to **0x1F8**, just select the register, right-click and select “**Change Value...**”



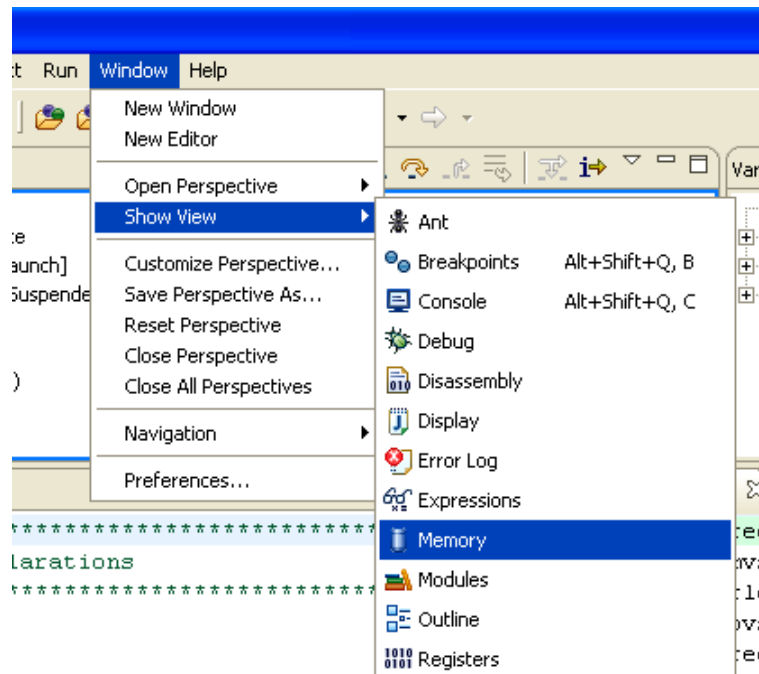
Now the value for **r7** has been changed to **0x1F8**.



It goes without saying that you had better use this feature with great care! Make sure you know what you are doing before tampering with the ARM registers.

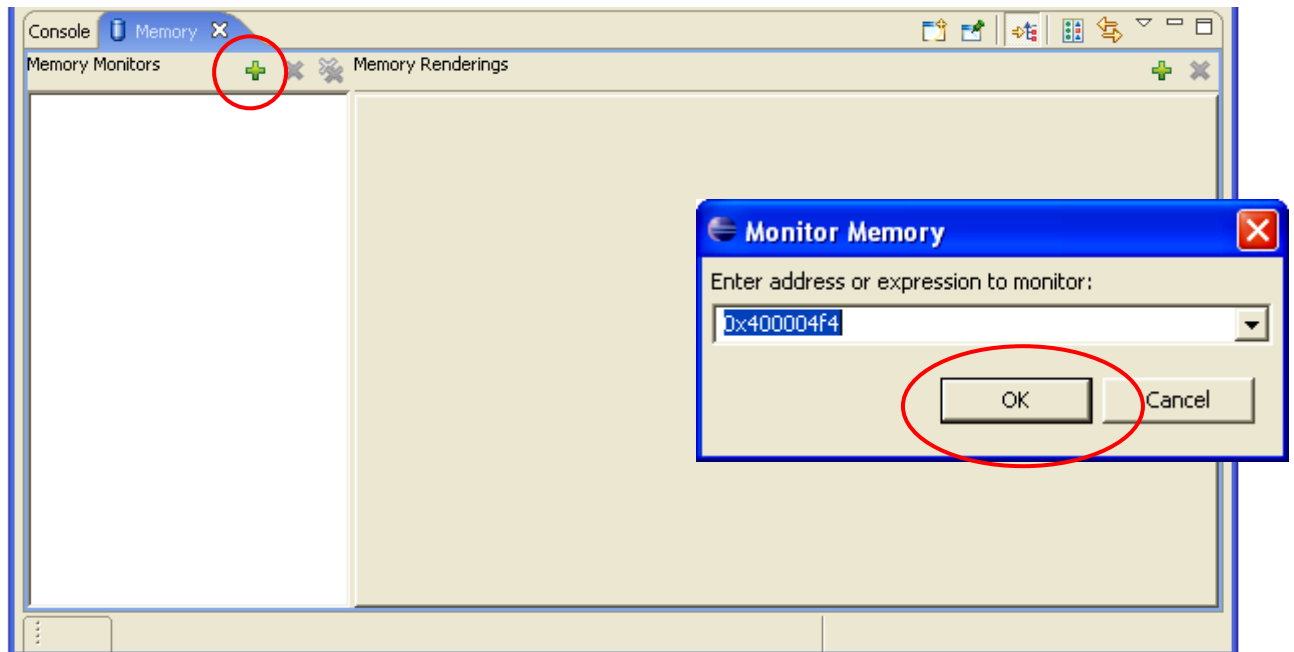
## Inspecting Memory

Viewing memory is a bit complex in Eclipse. First, the memory view is not part of the default debug launch configuration. You can add it by clicking “**Window – Show View – Memory**” as shown below.



The memory view appears in the “**Console**” view at the bottom of the Debug perspective. At this point, nothing has been defined. Memory is displayed as one or more “**memory monitors**”. To create a memory monitor, click on the “**+**” symbol.

Enter the address **0x400004f4** (address of the string “The Rain in Spain”) in the dialog box.



The memory monitor is created, although it defaults to 4-byte display mode. The display of the address columns and the associated memory contents is called a “**Rendering**”.

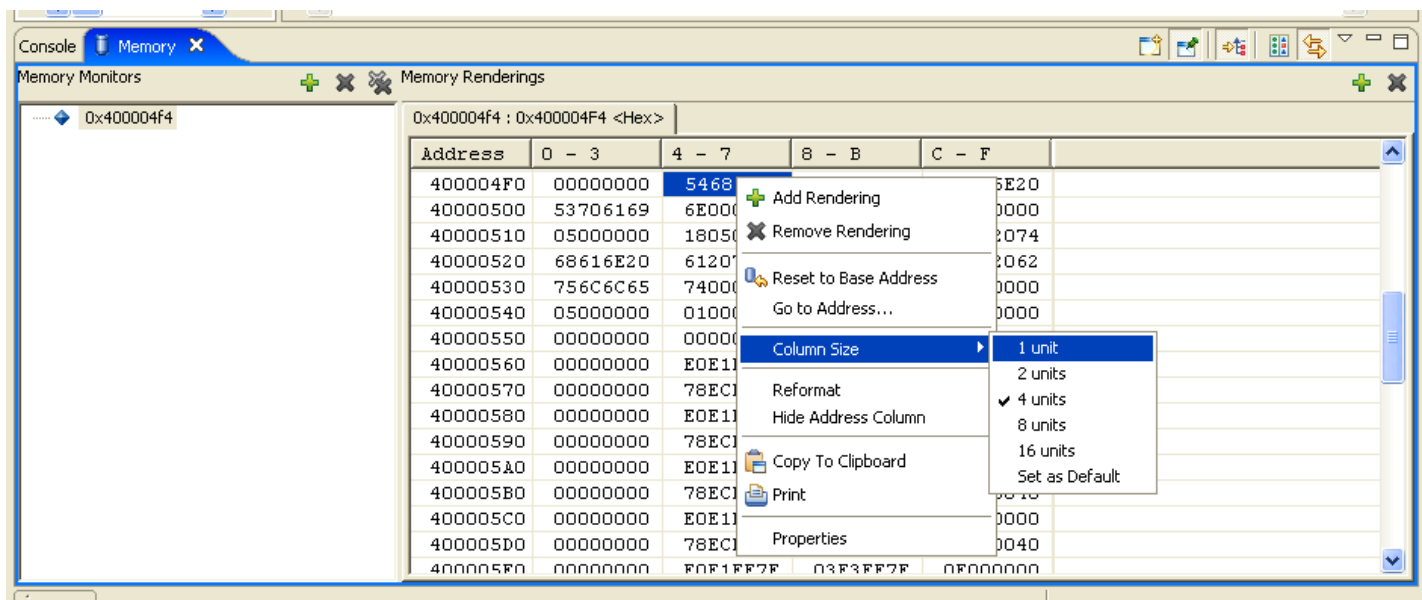
The address **0x400004F4** is called the Base Address; there’s a right-click menu option “**Reset to Base Address**” that will automatically return you to this address if you scroll the memory display.

The screenshot shows the Memory Monitor window with a memory rendering. The 'Memory Monitors' pane on the left shows the address '0x400004f4'. The 'Memory Renderings' pane on the right shows a table of memory addresses and their contents.

Address	0 - 3	4 - 7	8 - B	C - F
400004F0	00000000	54686520	5261696E	20696E20
40000500	53706169	6E000000	02000300	06000000
40000510	05000000	18050040	46617374	65722074
40000520	68616E20	61207370	65656469	6E672062
40000530	756C6C65	74000000	07000000	04000000
40000540	05000000	01000000	00000000	00000000
40000550	00000000	00000000	00000000	00000000
40000560	00000000	EOE1FF7F	03E3FF7F	0E000000
40000570	00000000	78ECFF7F	78ECFF7F	BC010040
40000580	00000000	EOE1FF7F	03E3FF7F	0E000000
40000590	00000000	78ECFF7F	78ECFF7F	BC010040
400005A0	00000000	EOE1FF7F	03E3FF7F	0E000000
400005B0	00000000	78ECFF7F	78ECFF7F	BC010040
400005C0	00000000	EOE1FF7F	03E3FF7F	0E000000
400005D0	00000000	78ECFF7F	78ECFF7F	BC010040
400005E0	00000000	F0F1FF7F	03F3FF7F	0F000000

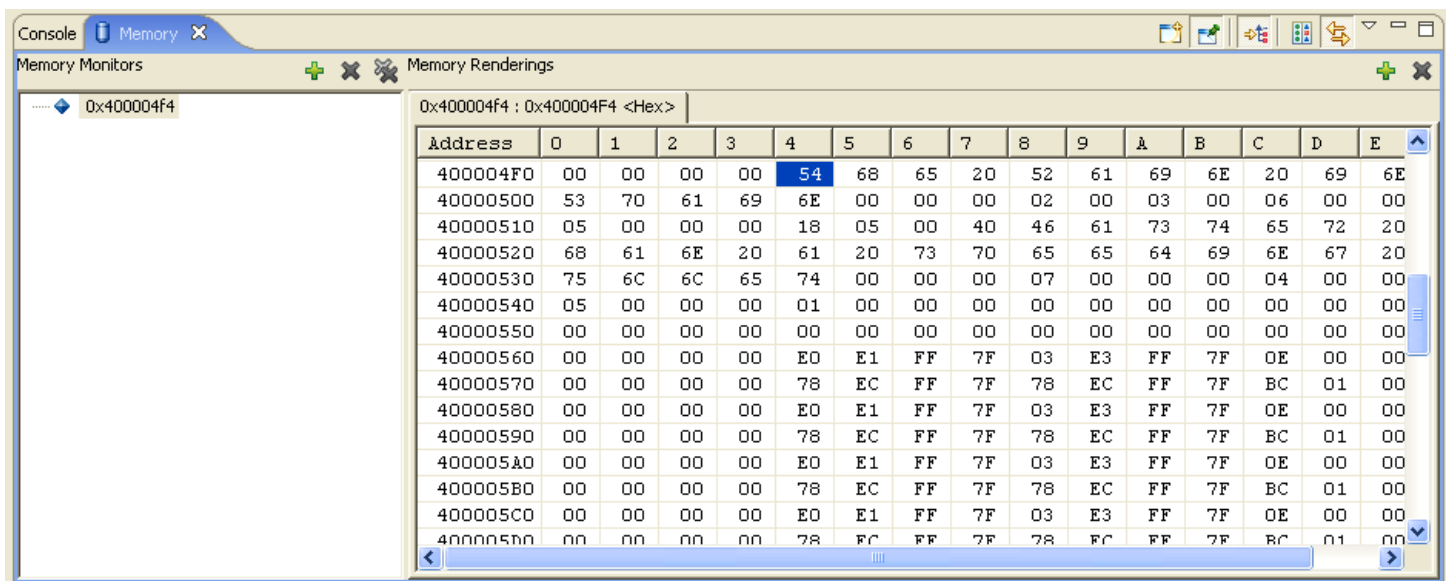
There's also a **"Go to Address..."** right-click menu option that will jump all over memory for you.

By right-clicking anywhere within the memory rendering (display area), you can select **"Column Size – 1 unit"**.





This will repaint the memory rendering in Byte format.



Console Memory X

Memory Monitors + - Memory Renderings + -

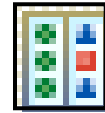
..... 0x400004f4

0x400004f4 : 0x400004F4 <Hex>

Address	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E
400004f0	00	00	00	00	54	68	65	20	52	61	69	6E	20	69	6E
40000500	53	70	61	69	6E	00	00	00	02	00	03	00	06	00	00
40000510	05	00	00	00	18	05	00	40	46	61	73	74	65	72	20
40000520	68	61	6E	20	61	20	73	70	65	65	64	69	6E	67	20
40000530	75	6C	6C	65	74	00	00	00	07	00	00	00	04	00	00
40000540	05	00	00	00	01	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
40000550	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
40000560	00	00	00	00	E0	E1	FF	7F	03	E3	FF	7F	0E	00	00
40000570	00	00	00	00	78	EC	FF	7F	78	EC	FF	7F	BC	01	00
40000580	00	00	00	00	E0	E1	FF	7F	03	E3	FF	7F	0E	00	00
40000590	00	00	00	00	78	EC	FF	7F	78	EC	FF	7F	BC	01	00
400005A0	00	00	00	00	E0	E1	FF	7F	03	E3	FF	7F	0E	00	00
400005B0	00	00	00	00	78	EC	FF	7F	78	EC	FF	7F	BC	01	00
400005C0	00	00	00	00	E0	E1	FF	7F	03	E3	FF	7F	0E	00	00
400005D0	00	00	00	00	78	EC	FF	7F	78	EC	FF	7F	BC	01	00

Now we will add a second rendering that will display the memory monitor in ASCII.

Click on the “**Toggle Split Pane**” button to create a second rendering pane.



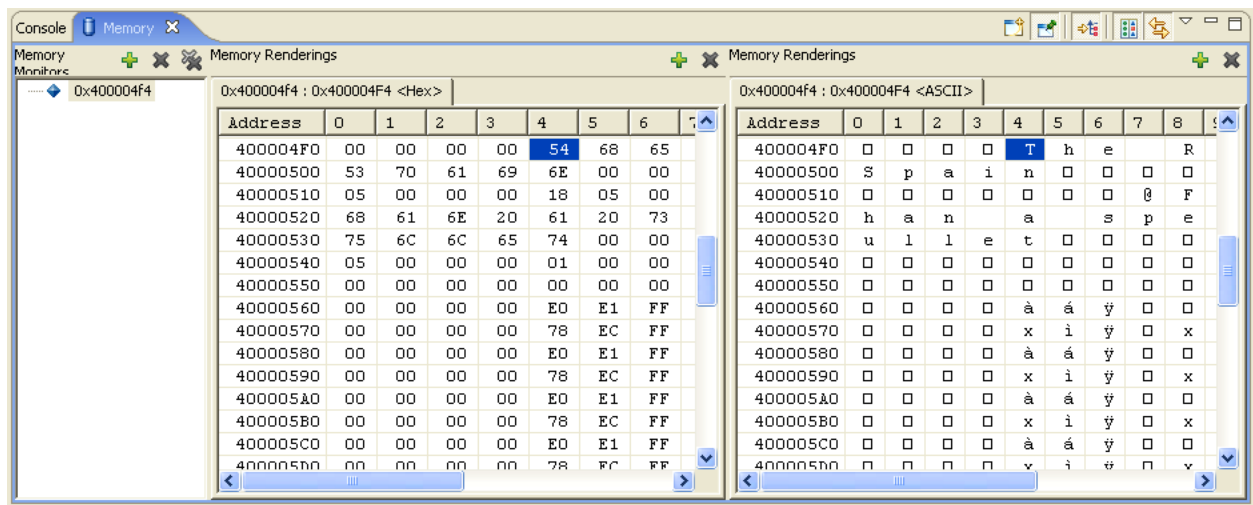
Pick “**ASCII**” display for the new rendering.

Click on the “**Add Rendering(s)**” button to create an additional ASCII memory display.

The screenshot shows the Immunity Debugger Memory Monitor window. The left pane displays memory in hex, and the right pane displays memory in ASCII. The 'ASCII' option is selected in the 'Select rendering(s) to create:' list.

Address	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
400004F0	00	00	00	00	54	68	65
40000500	53	70	61	69	6E	00	00
40000510	05	00	00	00	18	05	00
40000520	68	61	6E	20	61	20	73
40000530	75	6C	6C	65	74	00	00
40000540	05	00	00	00	01	00	00
40000550	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
40000560	00	00	00	00	E0	E1	FF
40000570	00	00	00	00	78	EC	FF
40000580	00	00	00	00	E0	E1	FF
40000590	00	00	00	00	78	EC	FF
400005A0	00	00	00	00	E0	E1	FF
400005B0	00	00	00	00	78	EC	FF
400005C0	00	00	00	00	E0	E1	FF
400005D0	00	00	00	00	78	EC	FF

Now we have a split pane display of the memory in hex and ASCII.



Click on the “**Link Memory Rendering Panes**” button.

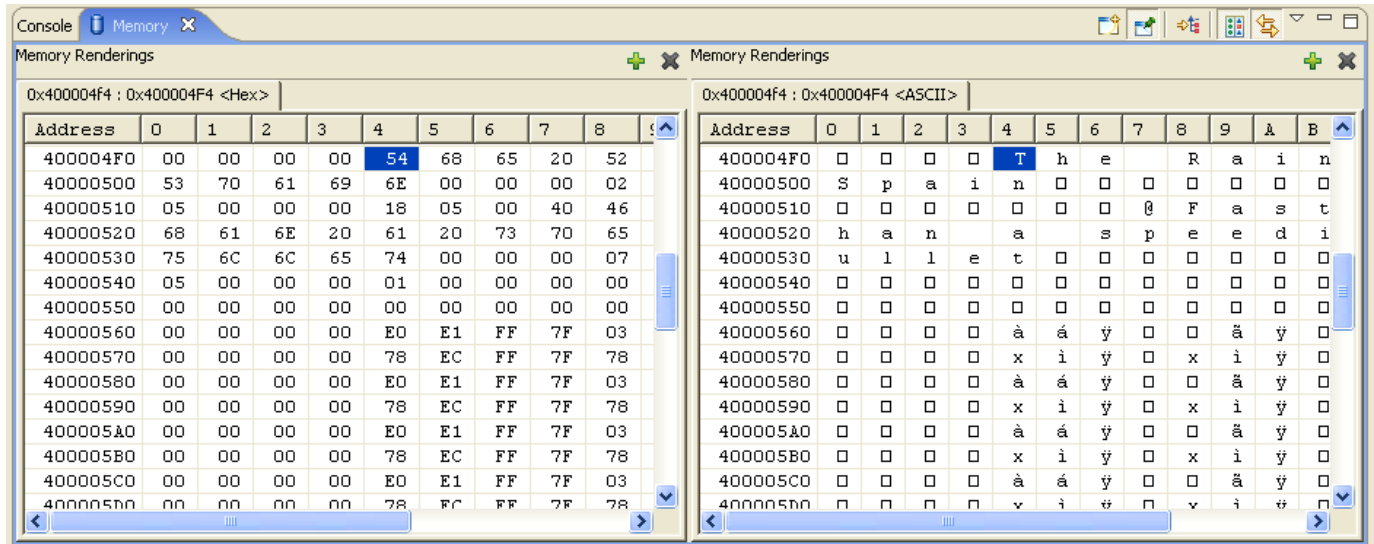


This means that scrolling one memory rendering will automatically scroll the other one in synchronism.

Click on the “**Toggle Memory Monitors Pane**” button.



This will expand the display erasing the “memory monitors” list on the left.



Personally, I think this Eclipse memory display is a bit complex. However, it allows you to define many “memory monitors” and clicking on any one of them pops up the renderings instantly. It’s like so many things in life, once you learn how to do it; it seems easy!

## FLASH Debugging Check List

If you can commit the following simple points to memory, you will be rewarded with hours of worry-free FLASH debugging.

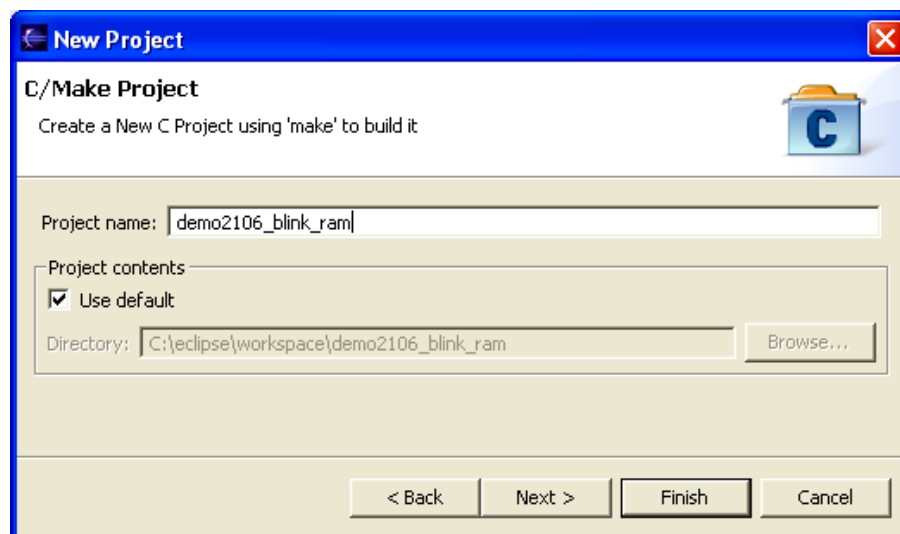
- Program the FLASH with the **Philips LPC2000 Flash Utility** after compiling (your hex file)
- **BSL** jumper fitted for FLASH burning, removed for FLASH debugging
- Never set more than two breakpoints
- Clear all breakpoints while single-stepping

## Create a New Project to Run the Code in RAM

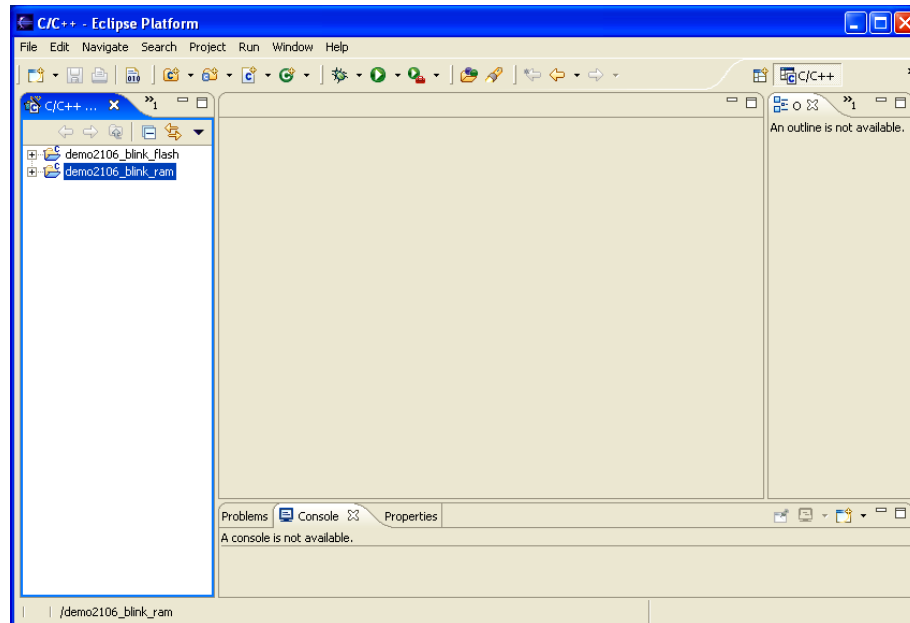
There are two reasons why you might want to target the application for execution in RAM. First, RAM is quite a bit faster than FLASH memory and you can get a significant speed boost. Second, you can set an unlimited number of software breakpoints in RAM which may be important in some debugging scenarios.

Now we will create a new project that will run the blinker code in RAM. Only minor modifications to two files are required. We'll show how to use this very same RAM-based application with the Eclipse/CDT debugger and a Wiggler JTAG interface.

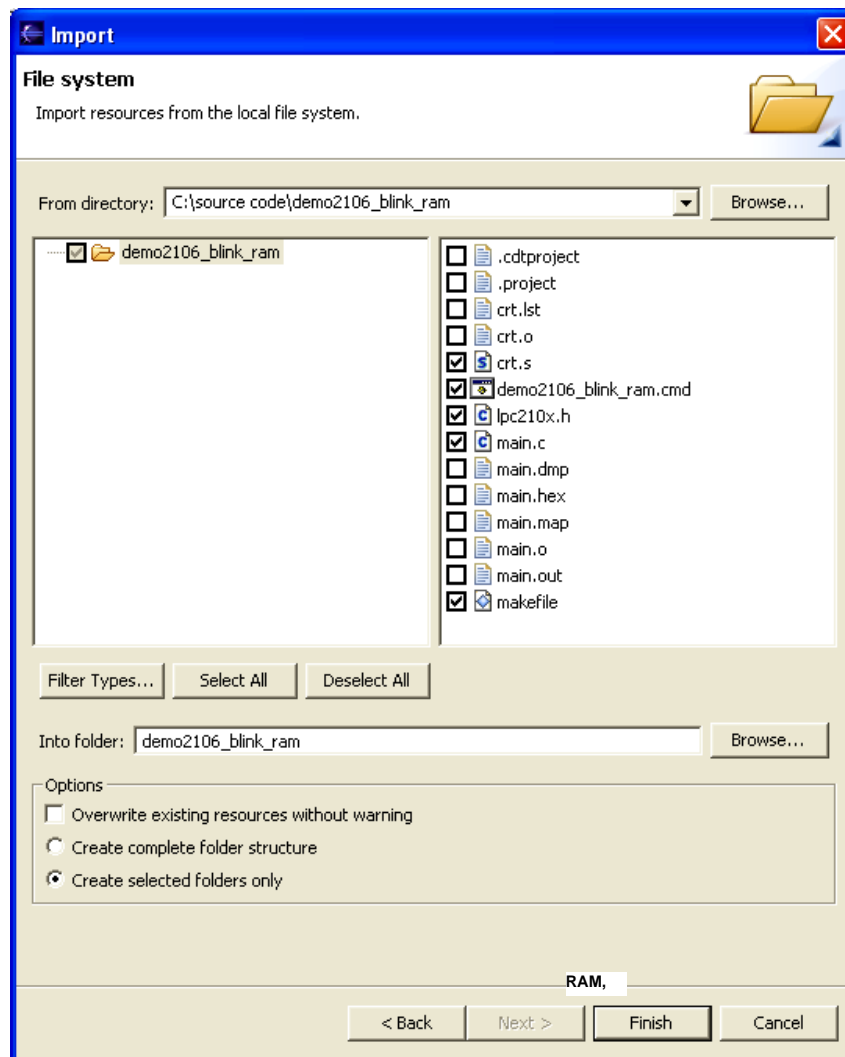
Using the techniques previously discussed, create a new project named **demo2106\_blink\_ram**.



Switch to the C/C++ Perspective and you will see that there are now two projects, although the new one contains no files.



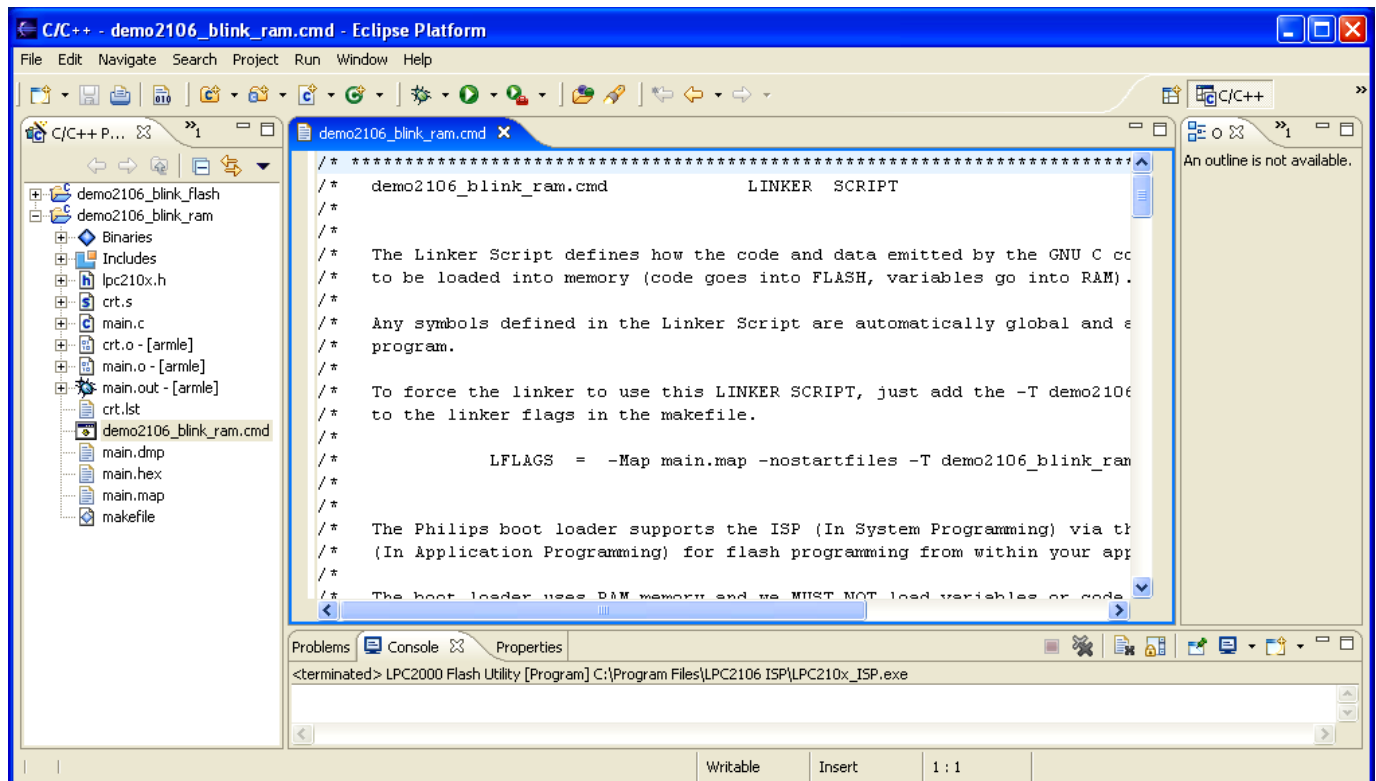
Now using the “**File Import**” procedure described earlier, fetch the source files for the project **demo2106\_flash\_ram** included in the zip distribution for this tutorial. The source files may be found here: XXXXXXXX



The files we import are:

- crt.s**
- demo2106\_blink\_ram.cmd**
- lpc210x.h**
- main.c**
- makefile.mak**


Now if you “Clean and Build” you should see a completed project with all the resultant files, as shown below.





## Differences in the RAM Version

### File MAIN.C

There is just one extra line of C code in the main program. It directs the LPC2106 to re-map the interrupt vectors to RAM at 0x40000000. 

```
void Initialize(void) {  
  
    //          Setting the Phased Lock Loop (PLL)  
    //          -----  
    //  
    // Olimex LPC-P2106 has a 14.7456 mhz crystal  
    //  
    // We'd like the LPC2106 to run at 53.2368 mhz (has to be an even multiple of cr  
    //  
    // According to the Philips LPC2106 manual:  M = cclk / Fosc  
    //                                     where:  M    = PLL multiplier (bits 0-4 of PLLCFG)  
    //                                     cclk = 53236800 hz  
    //                                     Fosc = 14745600 hz  
    //  
    // Solving: M = 53236800 / 14745600 = 3.6103515625  
    //           M = 4 (round up)  
    //  
    //           Note: M - 1 must be entered into bits 0-4 of PLLCFG  
    //           (assign 3 to these bits)  
    //  
    //  
    // The Current Controlled Oscillator (CCO) must operate in the range 156 mhz to 3  
    //  
    // According to the Philips LPC2106 manual:  Fcco = cclk * 2 * P  
    //                                     where:  Fcco = CCO frequency  
    //                                     cclk = 53236800 hz  
    //  
    // Solving: Fcco = 53236800 * 2 * P  
    //           P = 2 (trial value)  
    //           Fcco = 53236800 * 2 * 2  
    //           Fcco = 212947200 hz  
    //           (good choice for P since it's within the 156 mhz to 320 mhz ra  
    //  
    // From Table 19 (page 48) of Philips LPC2106 manual  
    //           P = 2, PLLCFG bits 5-6 = 1 (assign 1 to these bits)  
    //  
    // Finally:  PLLCFG = 0 01 00011 = 0x23  
    //  
    // Final note: to load PLLCFG register, we must use the 0xAA followed 0x55 write  
    //           sequence to the PLLFEED register  
    //           this is done in the short function feed() below
```

```

//

// Setting Multiplier and Divider values
PLLCFG=0x23;
feed();

// Enabling the PLL */
PLLCON=0x1;
feed();

// Wait for the PLL to lock to set frequency
while(!(PLLSTAT & PLOCK)) ;

// Connect the PLL as the clock source
PLLCON=0x3;
feed();

// Enabling MAM and setting number of clocks used for Flash memory fetch
// (4 cclks in this case)
MAMCR=0x2;
MAMTIM=0x4;

// Initialize MEMMAP - re-map vector table to RAM
MAMMAP = 0x02;

// Setting peripheral Clock (pclk) to System Clock (cclk)
VPBDIV=0x1;
}

```

Since we are not using any interrupts in this example, this addition does not really matter. I've just added it for completeness; you should always do this when devising a project to run in RAM. After you follow the next steps and get the application to execute out of RAM, you can run a little experiment and comment out the MEMMAP = 0x02; line. It will still run OK.

The reason for that is two-fold. First, we don't use interrupts in this example. Second, we set the entry point (in demo2106\_blink\_ram.cmd) to the address **Reset\_Handler**. This bypasses using the RESET vector at 0x4000000 to start the application.

The Philips MEMMAP command maps the 32-byte vector table and the 32-bytes that follow to relocate to the beginning of RAM. This allows the interrupt vectors to operate out of RAM and the user is free to modify them "on-the-fly". The 32-bytes that follow the vector table are typically used by savvy programmers to hold efficient FIQ routines.

### **File DEMO2106\_BLINK\_RAM.CMD**

The entire project, both code and variables, is going to be loaded into RAM. Therefore, there are a few changes in the Linker Command Script file **demo2106\_blink\_ram.cmd**. I added quite a bit of annotation to make it very clear how the memory (flash and ram) is organized.


```


/* *****
/* demo2106_blink_ram.cmd LINKER SCRIPT
/*
/*
/* The Linker Script defines how the code and data emitted by the GNU C compiler and
/* to be loaded into memory (code goes into FLASH, variables go into RAM).
/*
/* Any symbols defined in the Linker Script are automatically global and available to
/* program.
/*
/* To force the linker to use this LINKER SCRIPT, just add the -T demo2106_blink_ram
/* to the linker flags in the makefile.
/*
/* LFLAGS = -Map main.map -nostartfiles -T demo2106_blink_ram.cmd
/*
/*
/*
/* MEMORY MAP
/*
/* ----->|-----|0x40010000
/* .|-----|0x4000FFFF
/* .| variables and stack
/* .| for Philips boot loader
/* .| 288 bytes
/* .| Do not put anything here |0x4000FEE0
/* .|-----|
/* .| UDF Stack 4 bytes |0x4000FEDC <----- _st
/* .|-----|
/* .| ABT Stack 4 bytes |0x4000FED8
/* .|-----|
/* .| FIQ Stack 4 bytes |0x4000FED4
/* .|-----|
/* .| IRQ Stack 4 bytes |0x4000FED0
/* .|-----|
/* .| SVC Stack 4 bytes |0x4000FECC
/* .|-----|
/* .| |0x4000FEC8
/* .| stack area for user program
/* .| |
/* .| |
/* .| |
/* .| V V V V
/* .|
/* .|
/* .|
/* .|
/* .| free ram
/* ram
/* .
/* .
/* .|-----|0x40000350 <----- _bss
/* .|
/* .| .bss uninitialized variables
/* .|-----|0x40000334 <----- _bss
/* .

```

```

/*      .
/*      .
/*      .      .data   initialized variables
/*      .
/*      .
/*      .      .....|0x4000031C <----- _dat
/*      .
/*      .      |0x400002F4   UNDEF_Routine
/*      .      |0x400002E0   SWI_Routine
/*      .      |0x400002CC   FIQ_Routine
/*      .      |0x400002B8   IRQ_Routine
/*      .      |0x40000280   feed()
/*      .
/*      .      |0x400001B8   Initialize()
/*      .
/*      .      .....|0x400000D8   main()
/*      .
/*      .      .text   startup code
/*      .      .      (assembler)
/*      .
/*      .      -----|0x40000040   Reset_Handler
/*      .      |0x4000003F
/*      .      Interrupt Vectors (re-mapped)
/*      .      64 bytes
/*      .----->|-----|0x40000000
/*      .
/*      .
/*      .----->|-----|
/*      .      |0x0001FFFF
/*      .
/*      .
/*      .
/*      .
/*      .
/*      .
/*      .      eprom      unused flash eprom
/*      .
/*      .
/*      .      -----|0x00000040
/*      .      |0x0000003F
/*      .      Interrupt Vector Table (unused)
/*      .      64 bytes
/*      .----->|-----|0x00000000 _startup
/*      .
/*      .
/*      Author:   James P. Lynch
/*      .
/*      *****

/* identify the Entry Point */
ENTRY(Reset_Handler) 

/* specify the LPC2106 memory areas */
MEMORY 
{

```

```

        flash : ORIGIN = 0,           LENGTH = 128K      /* FLASH ROM */
        ram   : ORIGIN = 0x40000000, LENGTH = 64K        /* free RAM area */
    }

    /* define a global symbol _stack_end */
    _stack_end = 0x4000FEDC;

    /* now define the output sections */
    SECTIONS
    {
        .text :                               /* collect all sections that should go into FLASH after
        {
            *(.text)                          /* all .text sections (code) */
            *(.rodata)                        /* all .rodata sections (constants, strings, etc.) */
            *(.rodata*)                      /* all .rodata* sections (constants, strings, etc.) */
            *(.glue_7)                       /* all .glue_7 sections (no idea what these are) */
            *(.glue_7t)                      /* all .glue_7t sections (no idea what these are) */
            _etext = .;                      /* define a global symbol _etext just after the last code section */
        } >ram
        .data :                               /* collect all initialized .data sections that go into RAM
        {
            _data = .;                      /* create a global symbol marking the start of the .data section */
            *(.data)                        /* all .data sections */
            _edata = .;                    /* define a global symbol marking the end of the .data section */
        } >ram
        .bss :                               /* collect all uninitialized .bss sections that go into RAM
        {
            bss_start = .;                 /* define a global symbol marking the start of the .bss section */
            *(.bss)                       /* all .bss sections */
        } >ram
        . = ALIGN(4);                      /* advance location counter to the next 32-bit boundary */
        _bss_end = .;                     /* define a global symbol marking the end of the .bss section */
    }
    _end = .;                             /* define a global symbol marking the end of application

```


Above I defined two memory areas for flash and RAM, consistent with the LPC2106 memory map. Of course, we're going to load everything (code and variables) into RAM!



The Entry Point is specified as the beginning of the startup code at the label **Reset\_Handler**. This is used by the debugger to start execution; therefore we don't go through the reset vector when running out of RAM.

Specification of the two memory areas is quite simple; the 128K of Flash is not used. The 64K of RAM is used to hold the code and variables.

Note that I also created a global symbol, **\_stack\_end**, that is used in the startup routine to build the various stacks. The address is positioned just after the stacks and variables used by the Philips ISP Flash Utility.

Above is the final part of the Linker Command Script. Notice that everything is loaded into RAM. 

You might ask, “Do we still copy the **.data** section initializers?” I left the copy operation intact in file CRT.S but it now essentially copies over itself (wasteful). I wanted to keep things very similar. You could delete the **.data** initializer copy code in **crt.s** to save space.

You might also ask, “Do we still clear the **.bss** section?” The answer is absolutely yes, RAM memory powers on into an unknown state. We want all uninitialized variables to be zero at start-up. Of course, stupid programmers rely on uninitialized variables to be zero at boot-up, this is how they get into trouble with uninitialized variables (not all compilers do this automatically).

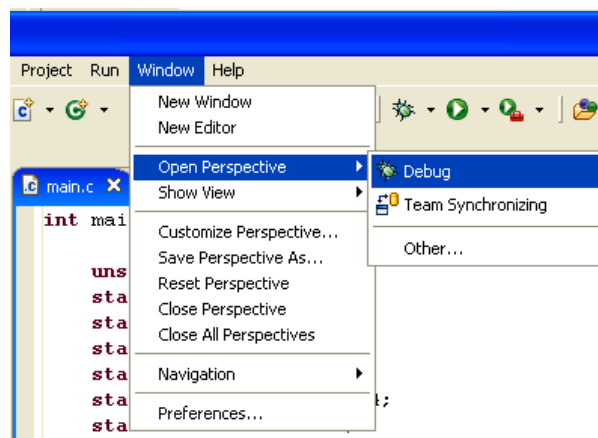
At this point, if you haven’t cleaned and built the project, do it now.

# Debug the RAM Project

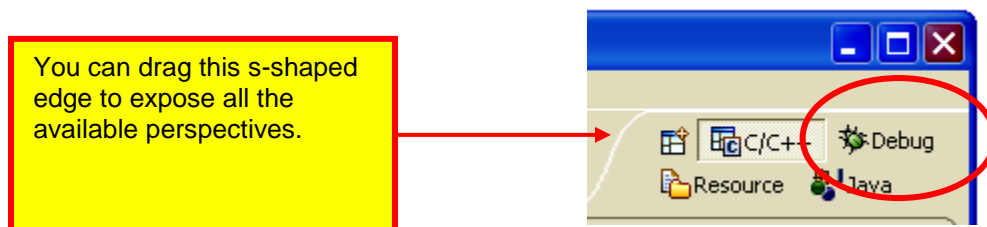
Once a suitable Debug Launch Configuration for the RAM project is completed, running and debugging the program is the same as shown before for FLASH debugging. Of course, you can now set a large number of software breakpoints.

## Create a Debug Launch Configuration

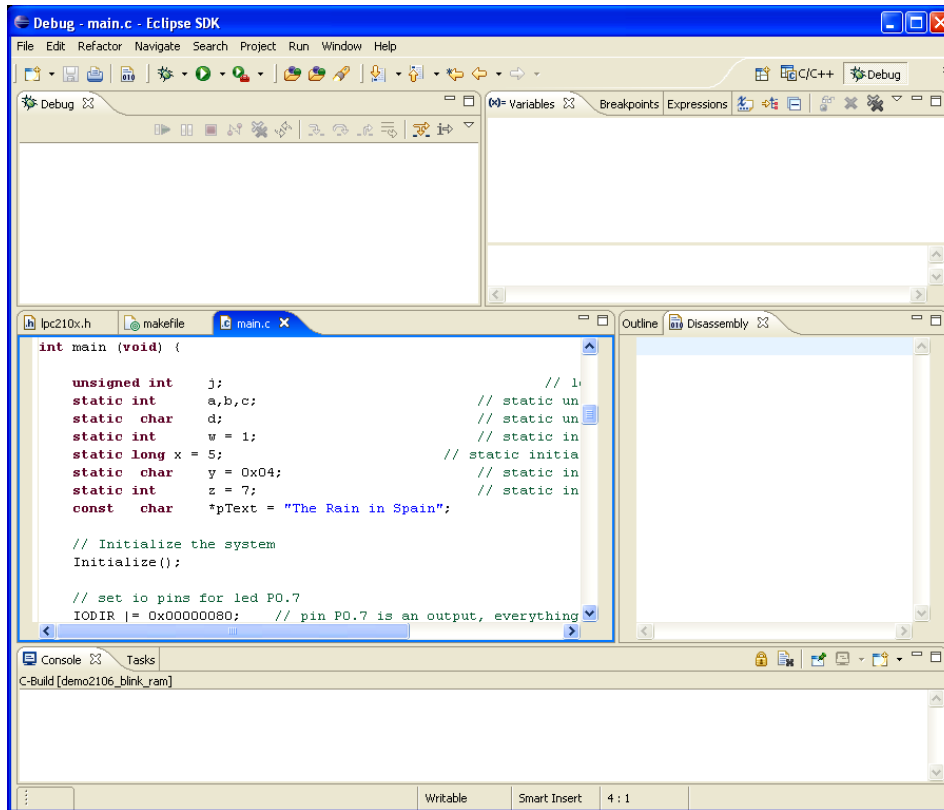
Switch to the “**Debug**” perspective. You can do this by clicking on “**Window – Open Perspective – Debug**” as shown below.



A more convenient method is to click on the “**Debug Perspective**” button on the upper right of the Eclipse screen as shown below.



Below is our RAM-based project, displayed in DEBUG perspective.

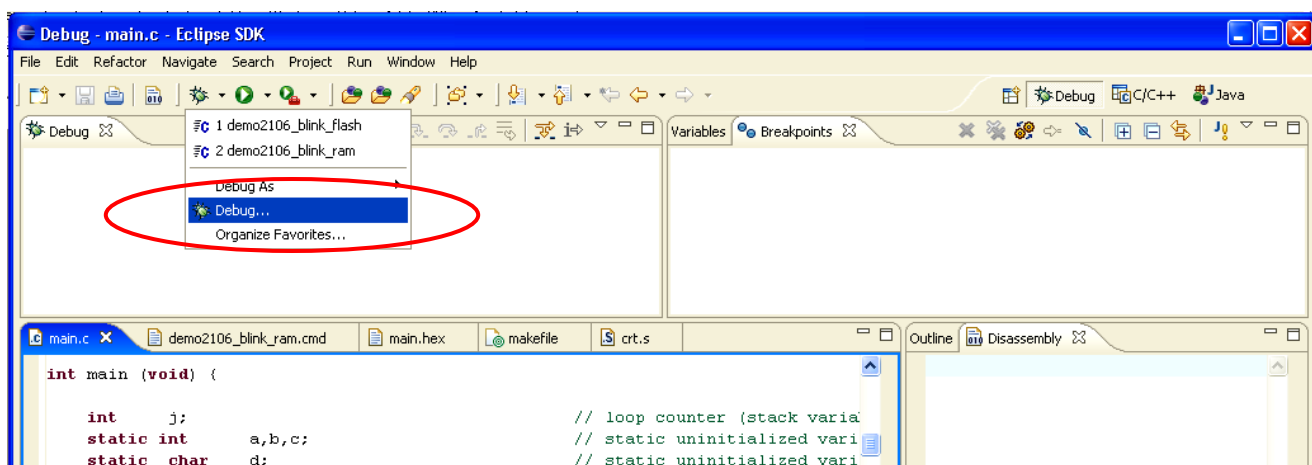


The first order of business is to set up a **“debug launch configuration.”** The quickest way to get to the **“debug launch configuration”** screen is to click on the **“insect”** button’s down arrowhead to bring up the debug pull-down menu.



Click on down arrowhead to get the pull-down menu

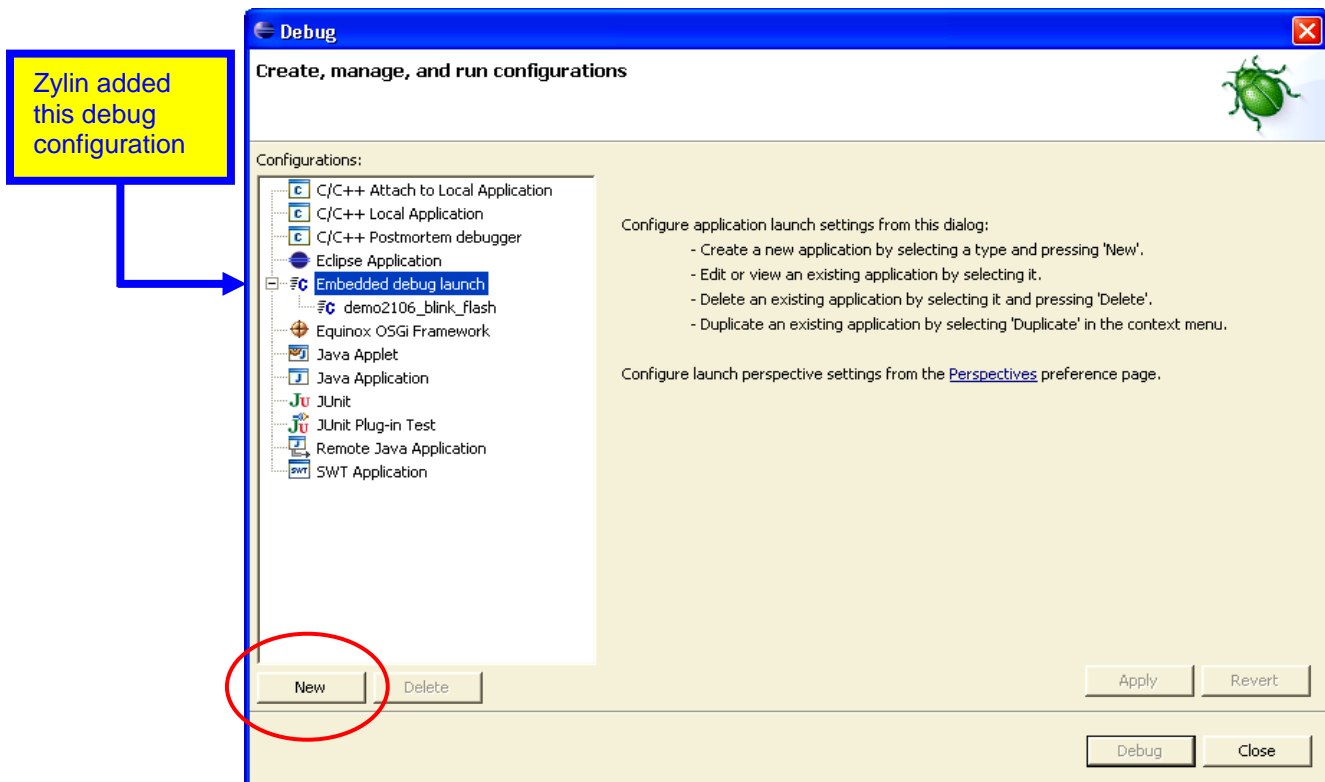
Click on the **“Debug ...”** selection in the debug pull-down list to bring up the Debug configuration screen.



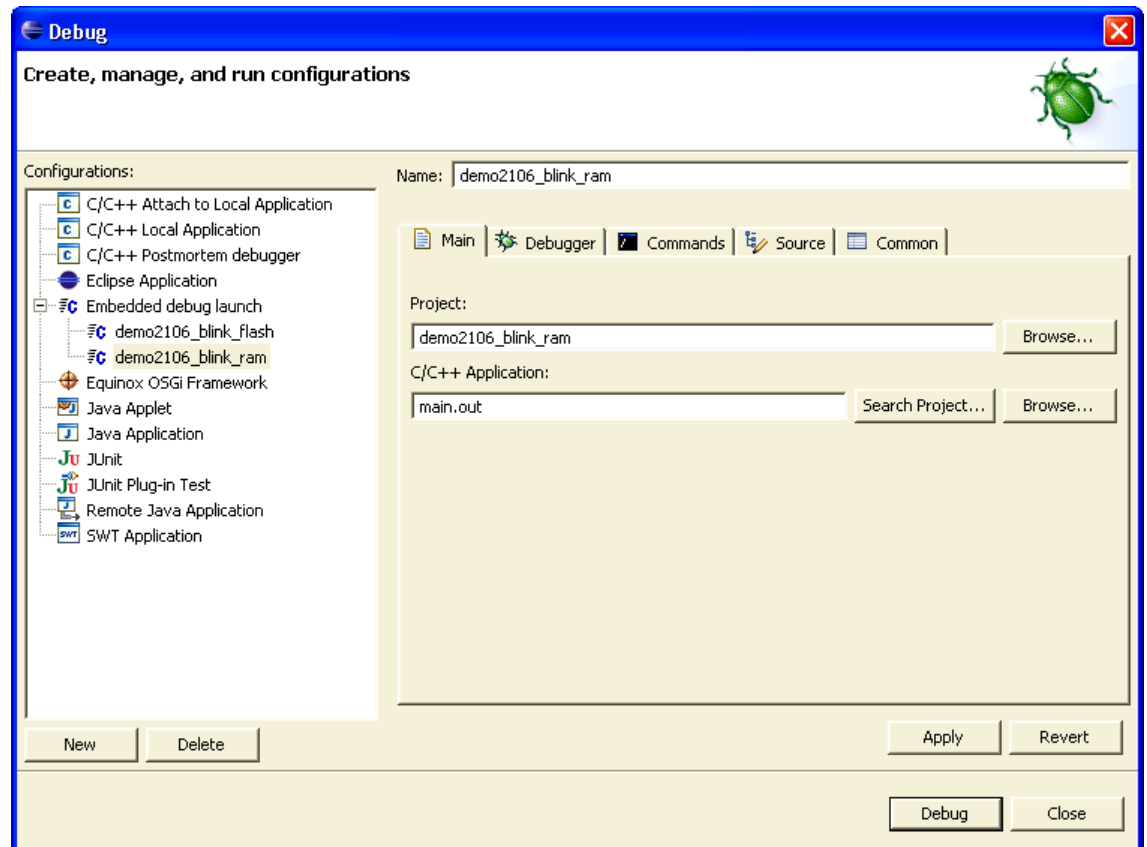




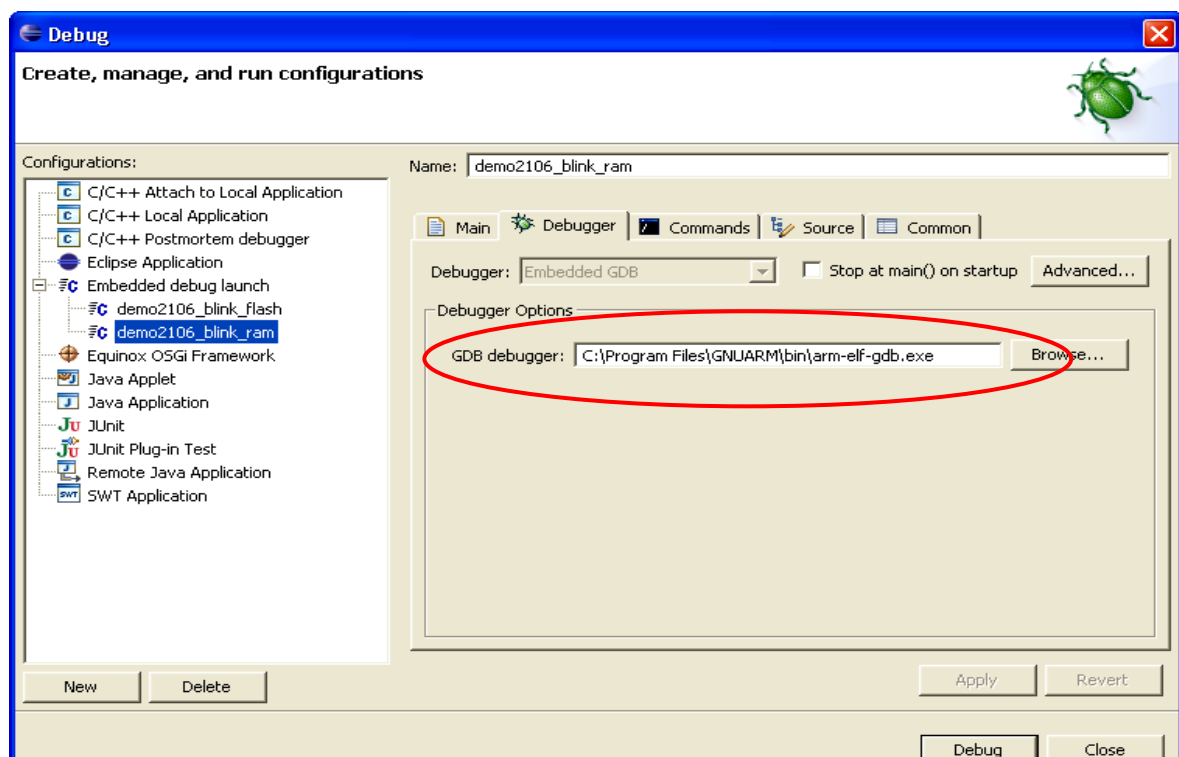
Click on the Zylind “**Embedded debug launch**” configuration and then “**New**” to get started.



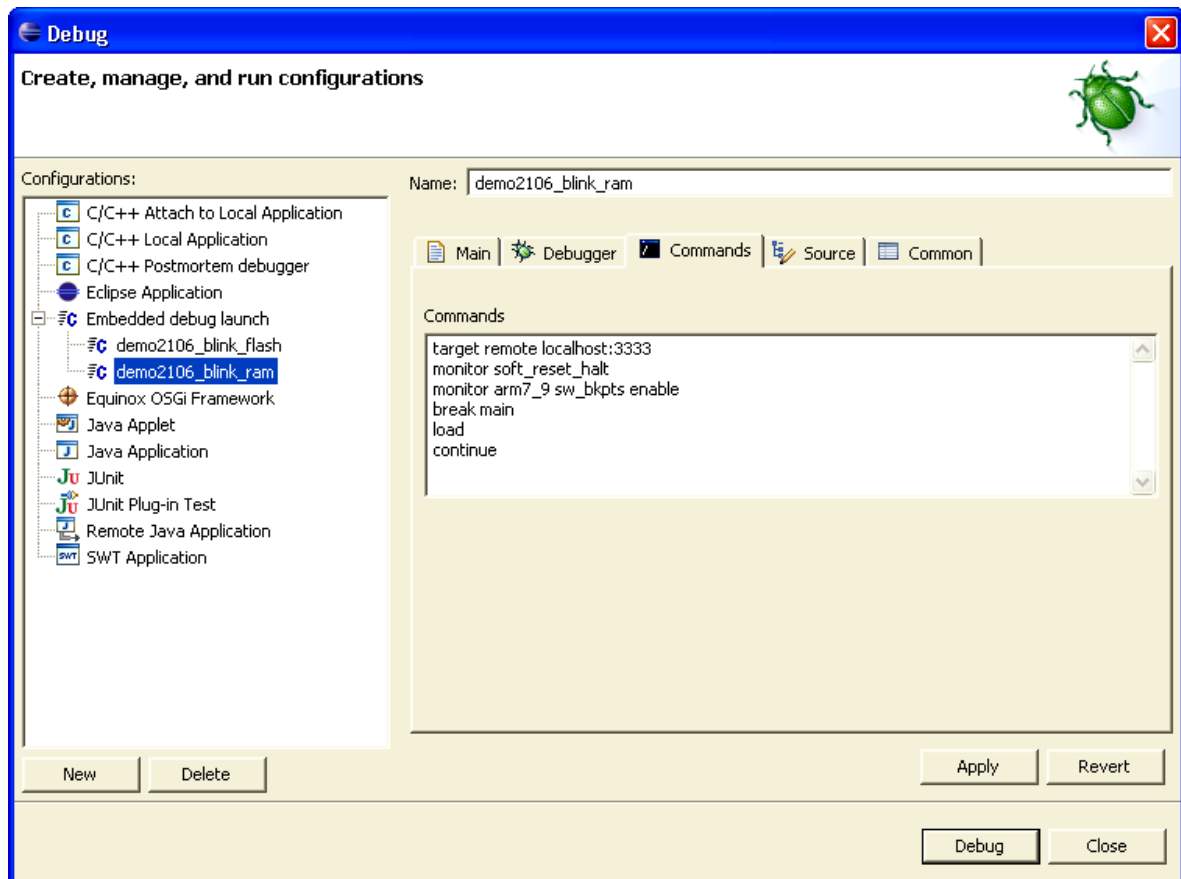
In the “**Main**” tab, set the name to anything you like and the project to “**demo2106\_blink\_ram**.” I was, as usual, lazy and made the debug configuration name the same as the project. Set the C/C++ Application to “**main.out**.” Main.out is an arm-elf format file and has the executable and debug information within the file.



Under the “**Debugger**” tab, use the “**browse**” button to set the “GDB debugger” text window to “**c:\program files\GNUARM\bin\arm-elf-gdb.exe**” and do not check the box that instructs the debugger to stop at main() on startup. We will be setting that up manually in the GDB startup commands.



Under the “**Commands**” tab, enter the following six commands.



The six startup commands entered into the “Commands” window above are crucial, so let’s examine them a bit.

## **target remote localhost:3333**

This is a **GDB** command. The “**target remote**” command specifies that the protocol used to talk to the application is “GDB Remote Serial” protocol with the serial device being a internet socket called **localhost:3333** (the default specification for the **OpenOCD** GDB Server).

## **monitor soft\_reset\_halt**

This is an **OpenOCD** command (The keyword “**monitor**” stipulates that the command will be passed to **OpenOCD**, not to the GDB command processor). This is a special reset command developed by Dominic Rath for the LPC2xxx family of ARM microprocessors.

## **monitor arm7\_9 sw\_bkpts enable**

This is an **OpenOCD** command. It enables software breakpoint commands.

## **break main**

This is a **GDB** command. It sets a software breakpoint at the entry point `main()`. Once the debugger breaks at `main()`, you must remove this breakpoint manually

## **load**

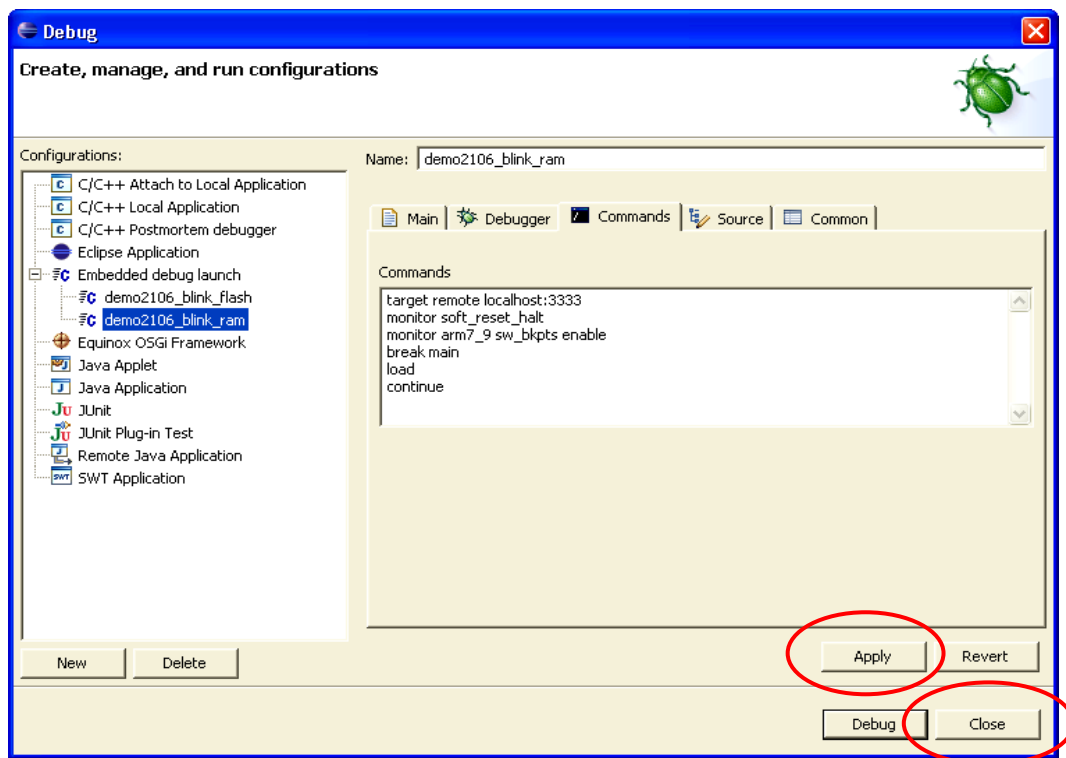
This is a **GDB** command. It loads the executable code within the `main.out` file to RAM. The file is also used by the debugger to look up symbols, etc.

## **continue**

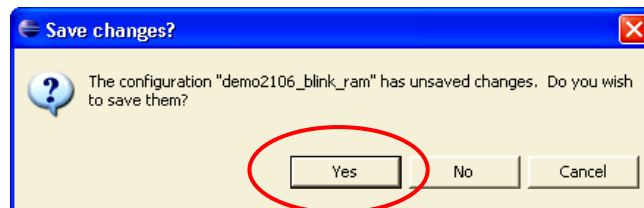
This is a **GDB** command. It forces the ARM processor out of breakpoint/halt state and resumes execution from the entry point. Remember that the entry point was specified in the `demo2106_blink_ram.cmd` file as “**Reset\_Handler**”. The ARM will then execute from **Reset\_Handler** to the breakpoint set at `main()` above.



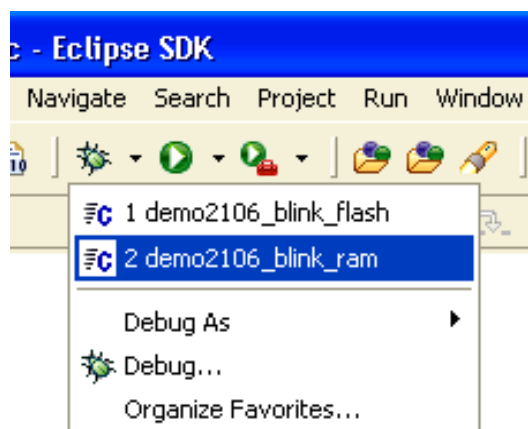
The default settings in the “**Source**” and “**Common**” tabs need not be changed. Click on “**Apply**” followed by “**Close**” to accept this setup.



Finally, save these changes by clicking “**Yes**” when prompted.



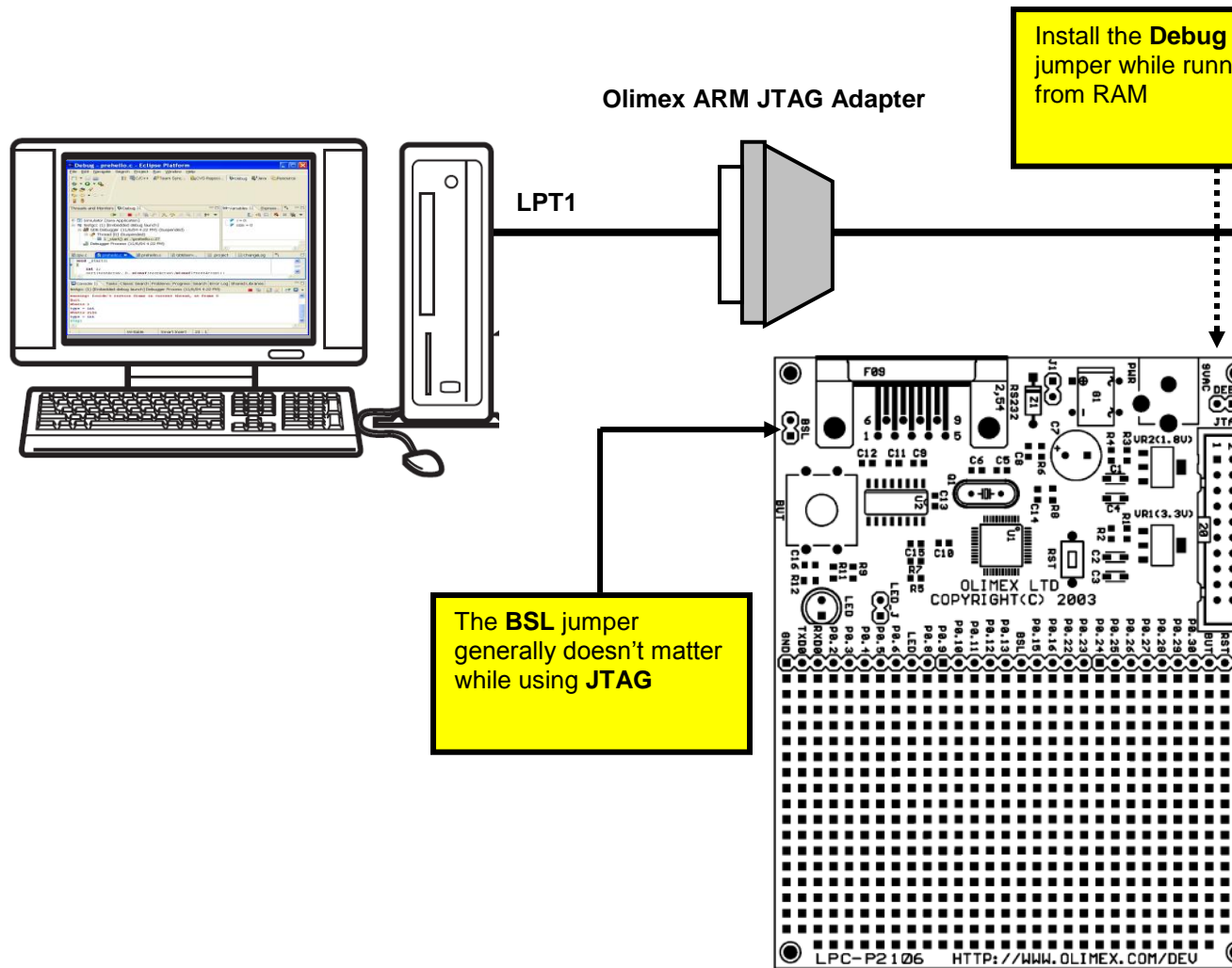
Finally, use the techniques outlined earlier to add this new debug configuration to the “**List of Favorites**” in the Debug Launch pull-down menu.



Now, as shown below, we have two debug launch configurations in our “**List of Favorites**” in the pull-down menu.

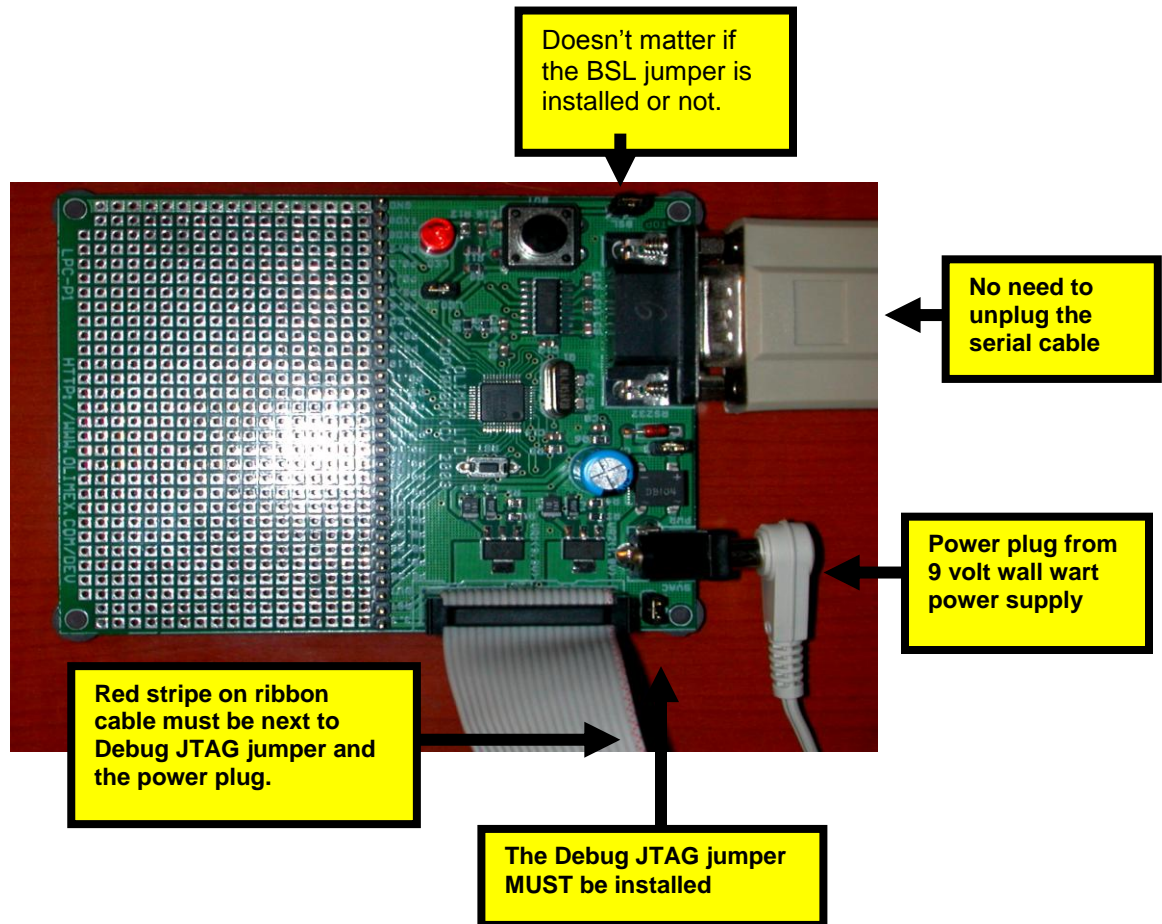
## Hook Up the Hardware

We will need the following hardware setup and it is exactly the same as that used for FLASH debugging.





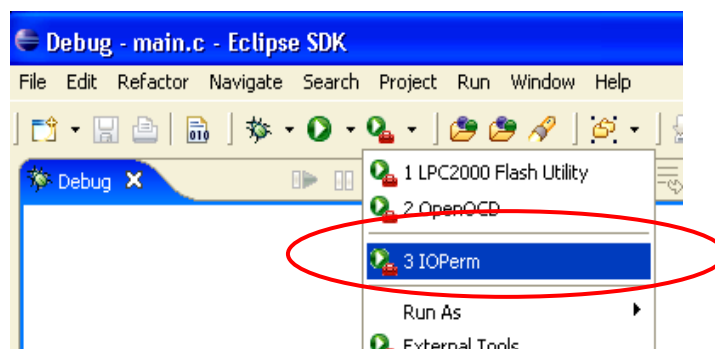
Let's review the hardware setup one more time.



Power up the Olimex LPC-P2106 board and press the **RST** button for good luck!

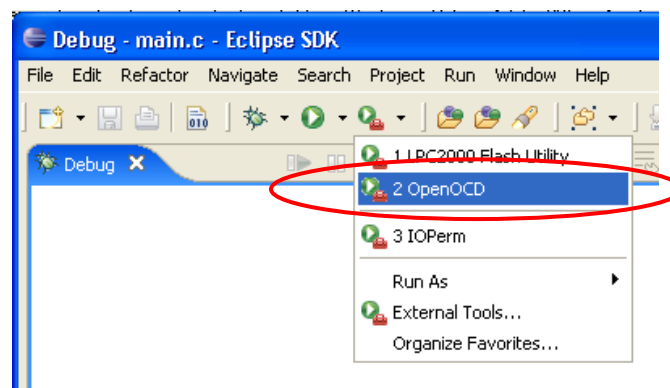
## Start the IOPerm Utility

The utility **IOPerm** must be running before you start the **OpenOCD** JTAG utility. In the External Tools pull-down menu, click on **IOPerm**. If it is already running, no harm is done. As mentioned before, you typically only have to do this once after booting your computer.

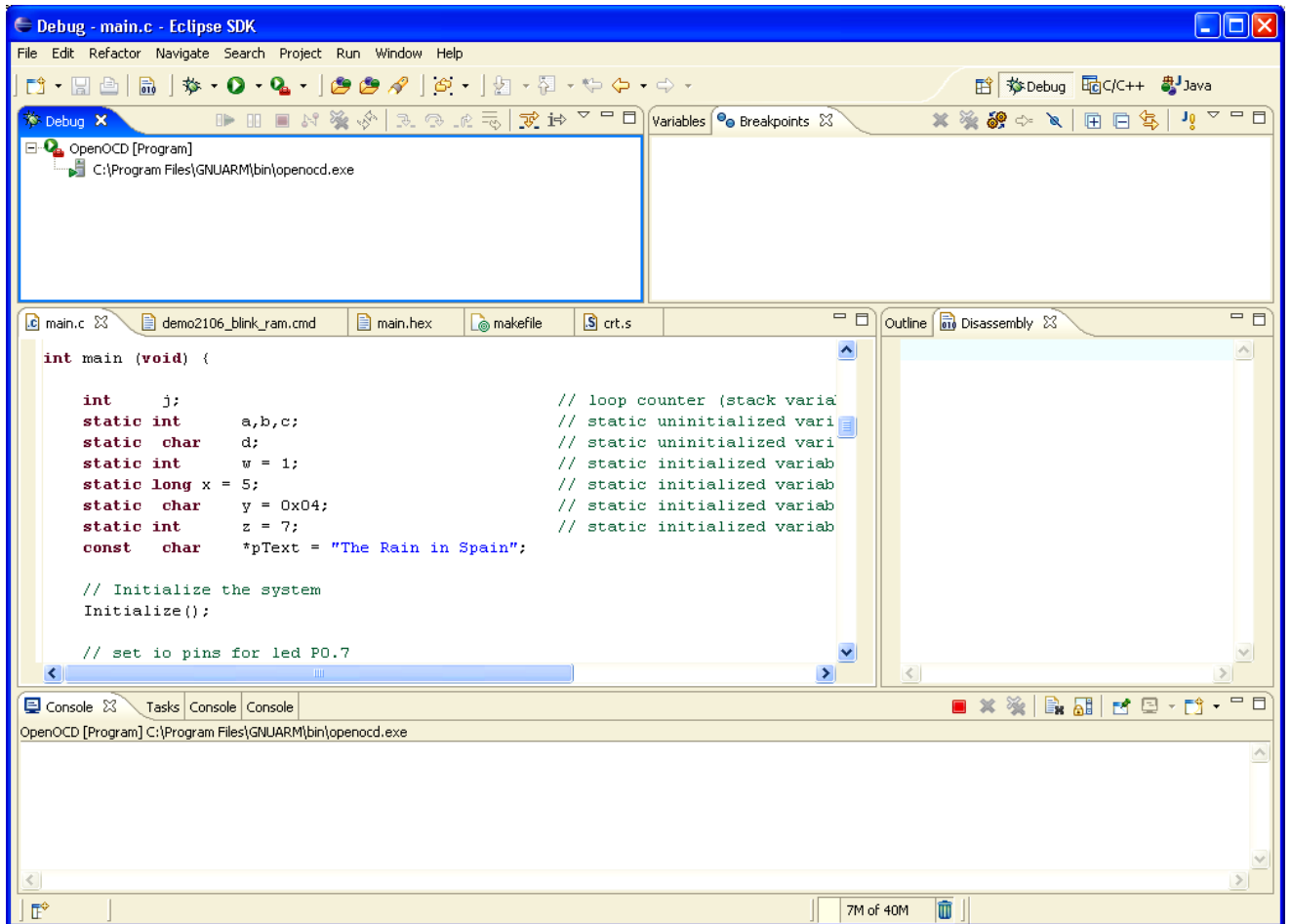


## Start the OpenOCD JTAG Utility

Now start the **OpenOCD** JTAG utility by clicking on it in the “**External Tools**” pull-down menu.



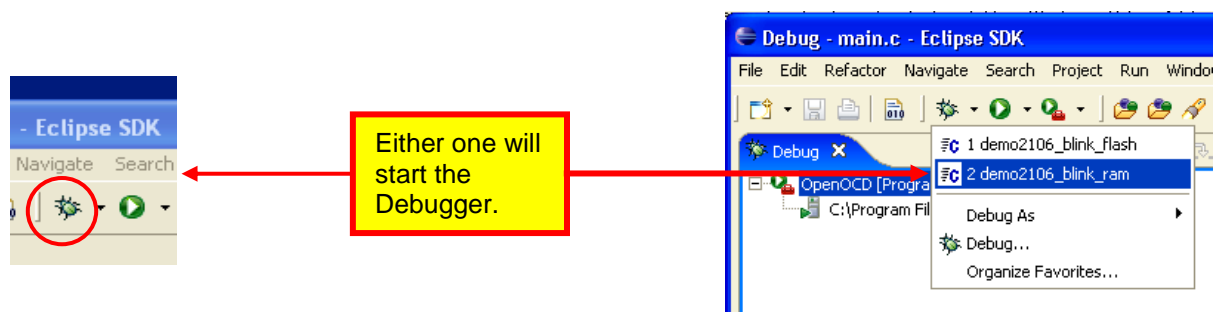
If the **OpenOCD** utility starts properly, you will see it running in the Debug window and no error messages in the console.



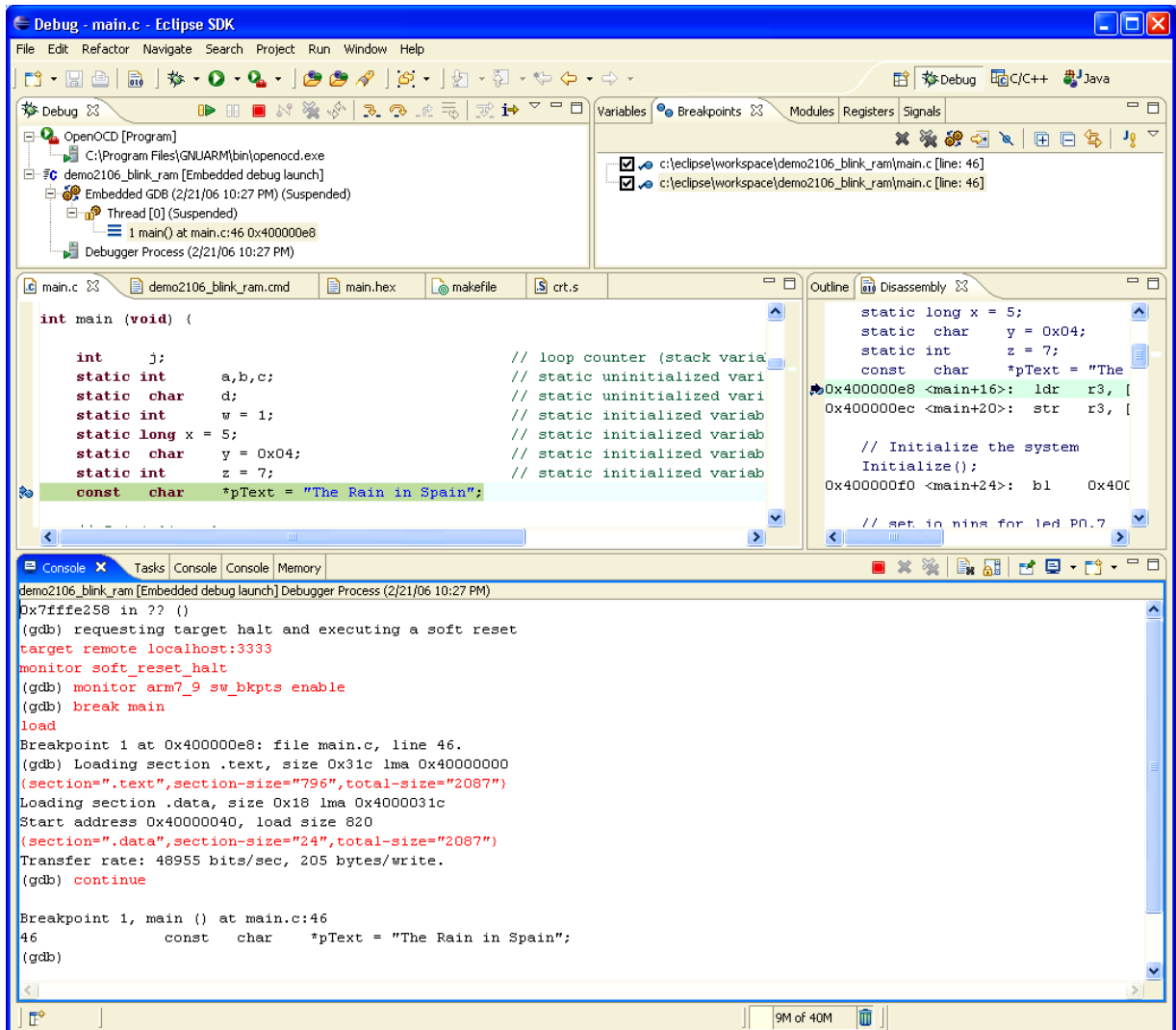
## Start the Debugger

Our “Debug Configuration” has been defined and we’ve switched to the Debug perspective. We started the **IOPerm** and the **OpenOCD** utility and verified that it’s working.

Now is the time to start the debugger. If the “Embedded Debug Launch” configuration “**demo2106\_blink\_ram**” was the last configuration accessed above, clicking on the “Bug” button will suffice. If you’re not sure, use the pull-down” arrow to see exactly what configuration will be started. Click on “**demo2106\_blink\_ram**” to start the debugger.



The Eclipse Debugger will start and you should see your startup GDB commands set up earlier execute in the console view, as shown below.



Note above that the debugger has stopped at main(). Well, sort of stopped there; it stopped a few instructions (line 46) after the entry point main().

**Now you can apply all the debugging techniques outlined in the Flash Debugging section earlier.** The only difference is that all breakpoints are “software” breakpoints and you can set as many of them as you like.

Note above that starting the debugger and executing the GDB command “Load” will download the executable code into RAM. This makes it very easy to recompile the project and restart the debugger to force a reload of the executable code.

The only drawback is that you only have 64K of RAM available to hold the executable.

## The Author Sounds Off

Last year I decided to see if it was possible to put together a complete, low cost ARM software development system for embedded programming. Purchasing a commercial package seemed out of the question since the price ranged from \$900 to several thousand dollars. Affordable quick-start packages typically have a time limit on usage or limitations on the code size. Microsoft has recently developed “express” versions of their tools for free, non-commercial use. However, their code targets are typically for the Windows/Intel platform.

That’s when I looked into the GNU tools and the Eclipse platform. They’re open-source and free. The problem, I discovered, is that the documentation is targeted for experts. The GNU documentation assumes you are a Linux expert and the Eclipse documentation is targeted for JAVA programmers. The CDT plug-in for Eclipse currently has no books available for reference.

Recognizing the difficulty in finding and assembling all these software components, I decided to make copious notes for myself concerning how I went about this task. The result is this tutorial; the purpose being a detailed exposition of all the procedures required to build a completely free ARM software cross development package. This tutorial is designed for novices; I assume only that you are familiar with C language.

I used the Philips LPC2000 family of embedded ARM controllers as the tutorial's hardware examples. This is in no way an endorsement of a particular manufacturer. Other manufacturers such as Analog Devices, Atmel, Cirrus Logic, OKI, ST Microelectronics, Texas Instruments, Intel, Freescale, Samsung, Sharp and Hynix all produce ARM offerings worthy of consideration. These chips are inexpensive, rich in onboard peripherals and contain significant onboard RAM and FLASH (512K of Flash in the LPC2148). I'm sure that many of the ideas in my tutorial can be transposed to these other manufacturer's designs.

This tutorial was written for students and grown up "kids at heart"; its purpose is to foster their interest in computer science and electrical engineering. It described in great detail how to download and install all the component parts of a complete ARM software development system and gave two simple code examples to try out. Of course, the beauty of this is that it's completely free.

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## In Appreciation

Anyone who uses Open Source software is standing on the shoulders of giants and indebted to a cast of thousands.



In particular, I'd like to call attention to German college student Dominic Rath who developed **OpenOCD**, an Open Source ARM JTAG debugger utility, as part of his diploma thesis at University of Applied Sciences Augsburg (FH Augsburg).

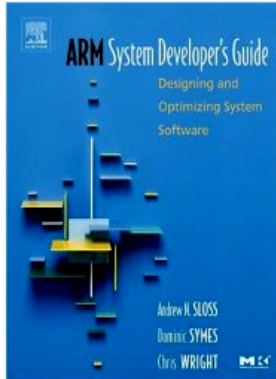
In addition to the thesis and other documentation, Dominic has set up a web site to support **OpenOCD** and has been gracious in providing assistance via internet forums.

Dominic, pictured on the left presenting his thesis, did a magnificent job and will be a stellar addition to any company that hires him when he graduates this year.



## Some Books That May Be Helpful

The following is a short compendium of books that I've found helpful on the subject of ARM microprocessors and the GNU tool chain. I've reproduced the Amazon.com data on them.



**ARM System Developer's Guide : Designing and Optimizing System Software (The Morgan Kaufmann Series in Computer Architecture and Design) (Hardcover)**  
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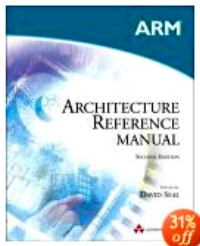
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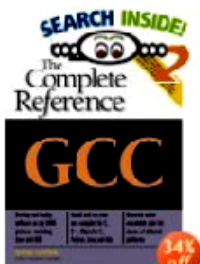
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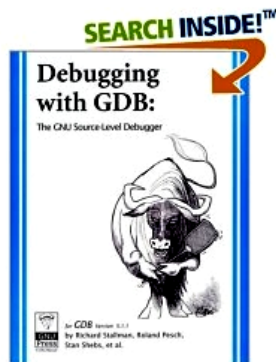
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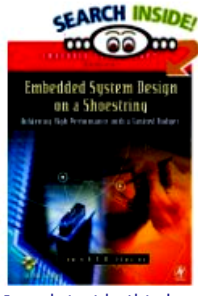
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The Philips Corporation has extensive documentation on the LPC2000 series here:

<http://www.semiconductors.philips.com/pip/LPC2106.html>

All the GNU documentation, in PDF format, is maintained by, among others, the University of South Wales in Sidney, Australia. I found the GNU assembler and linker manuals very readable; the GNU C compiler manuals are very difficult

<http://dsl.ee.unsw.edu.au/dsl-cdrom/gnutools/doc/>

Of course, the bookstore is full of Eclipse books but they are all about the JAVA toolkit. So far, no one has published anything on the CDT plugin.

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LPC2000 group

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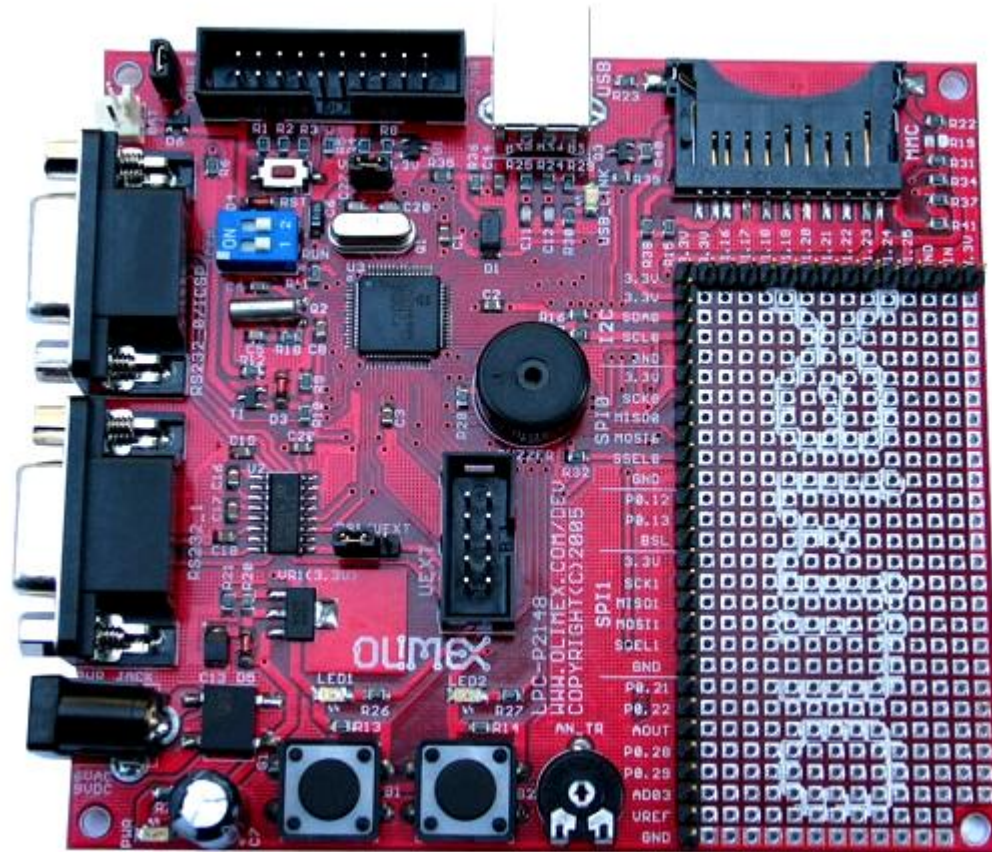
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## APPENDIX 1 - Porting LPC2106 Projects to other Processors

The Olimex **LPC-P2106** board was arbitrarily chosen as the hardware example for this tutorial. Many readers will be interested in how to modify the projects shown in this tutorial to other ARM processors. This process is not difficult; I will demonstrate conversion of the `demo2106_blink_flash` project to the Philips **LPC2148** ARM7 processor (specifically the Olimex LPC-P2148 board).

To make this conversion, you need two things; the Olimex LPC-P2148 schematic and the Philips UM10139 LPC214x User Manual (can be downloaded from their web sites).

## LPC-P2148 PROTOTYPE FOR LPC2148 ARM7TDMI-S MICROCONTROLLER



Note that the BSL jumper has been replaced with a blue dip-switch #1 at the upper left. Set towards the crystal is the “run” position; set to the left near the RS-232 connector is the “flash programming” position. The JTAG jumper and the 20-pin JTAG connector are at the extreme upper left. The red “reset” button is between the dip-switch and the JTAG connector.

The “wall wart” power supply, the RS-232 programming cable and the JTAG adapter are all the same.

Note that there are two LEDs above the two push buttons. The schematic shows that LED1 is connected to GPIO port **P0.10**. That’s different from the LPC-P2106 board.

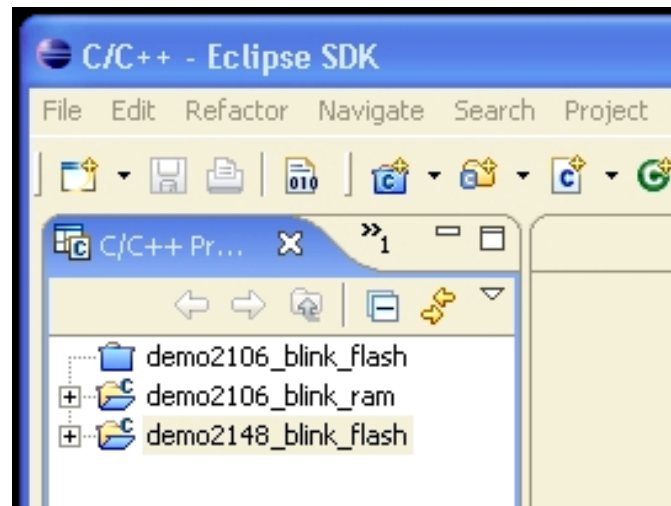
The schematic also shows that the crystal is 12 MHz. That’s different also. This means that the Phased Lock Loop (PLL) setup will have to be revised.

The memory map is different as the newer LPC2148 has 512k of FLASH and 40K of RAM. We’ll have to recalculate all stack locations.

The User Manual shows that the LPC2148 supports high-speed IO ports; this changes the addressing of the ports if we wish to utilize this new high-speed port feature.

## Create a New Project

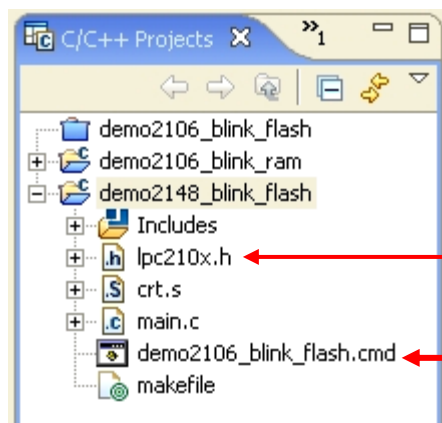
Using the techniques described earlier in the tutorial, create a new Eclipse Standard Make C project and give it the name “**demo2148\_blink\_flash**”.



## Import the Tutorial Files

You can use the “**File – Import**” pull-down menu and browse to the **demo2106\_blink\_flash** project and pick the following five files to import:

- lpc210x.h**
- crt.s**
- main.c**
- demo2106\_blink\_flash.cmd**
- makefile.mak**



This is the wrong include file

change the name of this file.

## Find the Right Include File

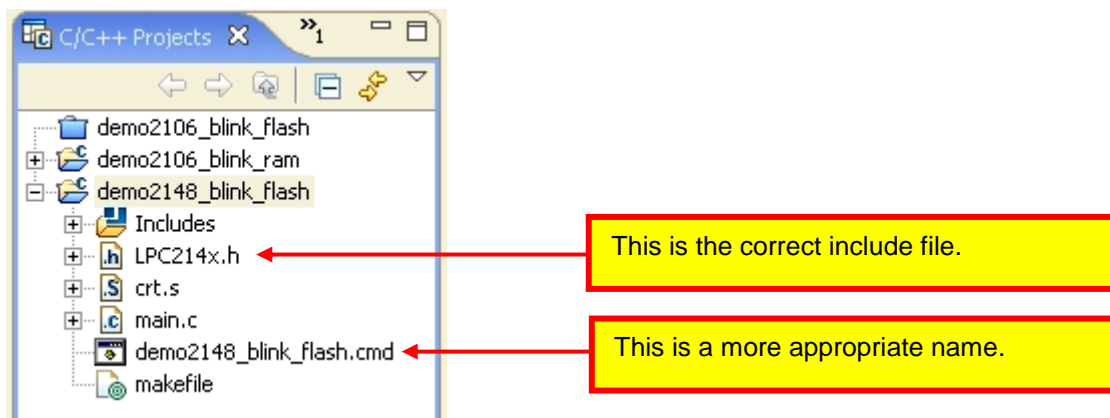
The include file **lpc210x.h** is the incorrect file for the LPC2148. I found an include file posted by Philips Applications Group on the Yahoo LPC2000 message board.

[http://f1.grp.yahoo.com/v1/kKADRArA\\_IRAlsmDDXw5O8Y9W57FNejfMRq3p15bOE8F6qG0JTay5Lz3-7ZfPRdggcQcSDtPiCJFnXsnjd420noww5OtmMcaVQ/LPC214x.h](http://f1.grp.yahoo.com/v1/kKADRArA_IRAlsmDDXw5O8Y9W57FNejfMRq3p15bOE8F6qG0JTay5Lz3-7ZfPRdggcQcSDtPiCJFnXsnjd420noww5OtmMcaVQ/LPC214x.h)

That's some web address, isn't it! Delete the lpc210x.h file and import the correct one which is lpc214x.h.

## Rename the Linker Command File

Use the Eclipse right-click menu in the projects view and rename the linker command file to lpc2148.cmd.



## Change all Text Strings “2106” to “2148”

Basically, search all five files and replace all occurrences of “2106” with “2148”.



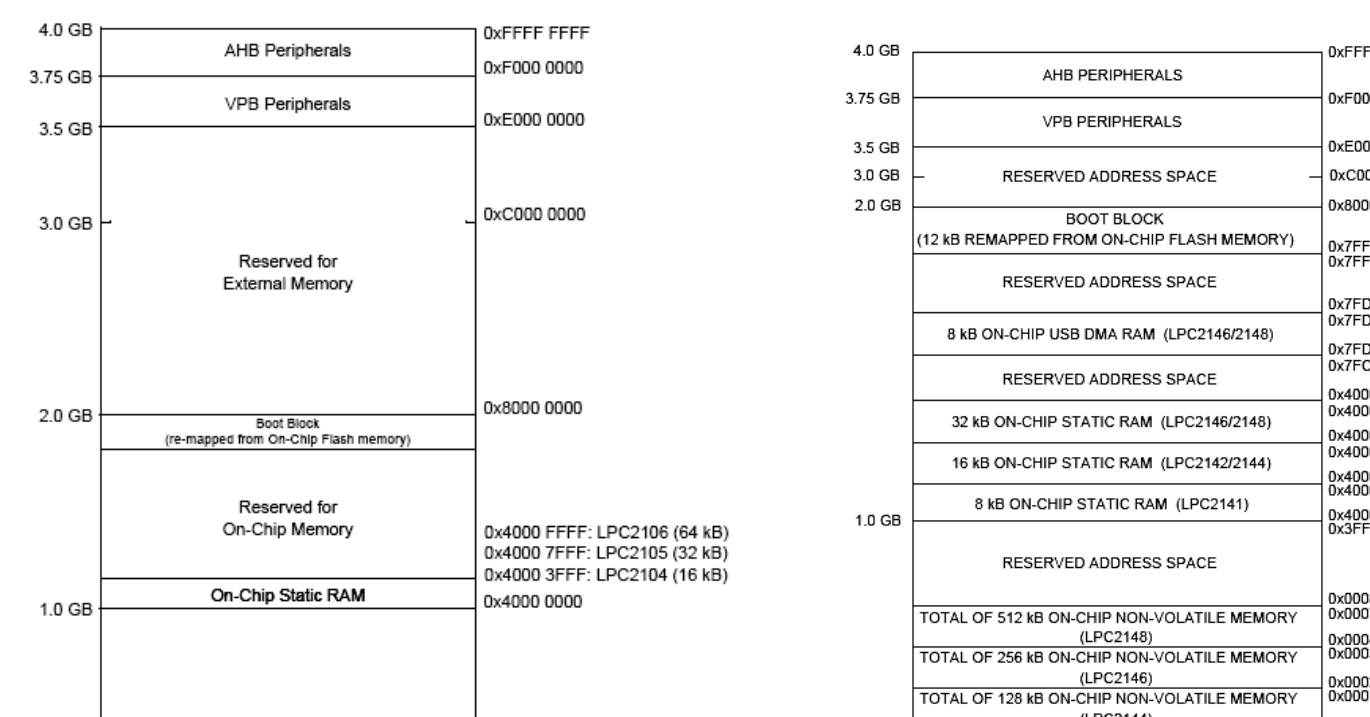
The safest thing to do is to open each file and search/replace using the Edit menu. I found that the “Search” pull-down menu doesn’t look at the makefile.

Most of these changes are to annotation, but in the case of the makefile, it effects a filename. The linker command file is a good example.

```
/* *****  
/*      demo2148_blink_flash.cmd                                LINKER  SCRIPT  
/*  
/*  
/*      The Linker Script defines how the code and data emitted by the GNU C compiler and  
/*      to be loaded into memory (code goes into FLASH, variables go into RAM).  
/*  
/*      Any symbols defined in the Linker Script are automatically global and available to  
/*      program.  
/*  
/*      To force the linker to use this LINKER SCRIPT, just add the -T demo2148_blink_flash.cmd  
/*      to the linker flags in the makefile.  
/*  
/*      LFLAGS = -Map main.map -nostartfiles -T demo2148_blink_flash.cmd  
/*
```

Recalculate the Stacks

The memory maps of the LPC2106 ARM processor and the newer LPC2148 ARM processor are different. The LPC2148 has more FLASH and less RAM. This effects the stack placement.



The end-of-RAM for the LPC2106 is at **0x4000FFFF**. The end of RAM for the LPC2148 is **0x40007FFF** (there also is an 8K RAM block at **0x7FD00000** for USB DMA operations, but we won't use that for the stacks).

The LPC2148 also has 512K of FLASH eprom.

The linker command file has been reproduced in its entirety below. There is extensive annotation showing the new memory map for the LPC2148.

The linker commands that have changed are noted also.

```

/* *****
/*      demo2148_blink_flash.cmd                                LINKER  SCRIPT
/*
/*
/*      The Linker Script defines how the code and data emitted by the GNU C compiler and
/*      to be loaded into memory (code goes into FLASH, variables go into RAM).
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/*      Any symbols defined in the Linker Script are automatically global and available to
/*      program.
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/*      to the linker flags in the makefile.
/*
/*          LFLAGS = -Map main.map -nostartfiles -T demo2148_blink_flash.cmd
/*
/*
/*      The Philips boot loader supports the ISP (In System Programming) via the serial port
/*      (In Application Programming) for flash programming from within your application.
/*
/*      The boot loader uses RAM memory and we MUST NOT load variables or code in these areas:
/*
/*      RAM used by boot loader:  0x40000120 - 0x400001FF  (223 bytes) for ISP variables
/*                               0x40007FE0 - 0x4000FFFF  (32 bytes)  for ISP and IAP variables
/*                               0x40007EE0 - 0x40007F00  (256 bytes) stack for ISP and IAP
/*
/*
/*      MEMORY MAP

```

/*			0x40008000	
/*	.----->	-----		
/*	.	variables and stack	0x40007FFF	
/*	ram_isp_high	for Philips boot loader		
/*	.	32 + 256 = 288 bytes		
/*	.			
/*	.	Do not put anything here	0x40007EE0	
/*	.----->	-----		
/*	.	UDF Stack 4 bytes	0x40007EDC	<----- _st
/*	.----->	-----		
/*	.	ABT Stack 4 bytes	0x40007ED8	
/*	.----->	-----		
/*	.	FIQ Stack 4 bytes	0x40007ED4	
/*	.----->	-----		
/*	.	IRQ Stack 4 bytes	0x40007ED0	
/*	.----->	-----		
/*	.	SVC Stack 4 bytes	0x40007ECC	
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/*	.		0x40007EC8	
/*	.	stack area for user program		
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/*	.	free ram		
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/*	.			
/*	.	.....	0x40000234	<----- _bss
/*	.	.bss uninitialized variables		
/*	.	.....	0x40000218	<----- _bss
/*	.	.data initialized variables		
/*	.		0x40000200	<----- _dat
/*	.----->	-----		
/*	.	variables used by	0x400001FF	
/*	ram_isp_low	Philips boot loader		
/*	.	223 bytes	0x40000120	
/*	.----->	-----		
/*	.		0x4000011F	
/*	ram_vectors	free ram		
/*	.		0x40000040	
/*	.		0x4000003F	
/*	.	Interrupt Vectors (re-mapped)		
/*	.	64 bytes	0x40000000	
/*	.----->	-----		
/*	.			
/*	.			
/*	.			
/*	.			
/*	.----->	-----		
/*	.		0x0001FFFF	

```

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/*      .          |          |          |
/*      .          |          |          |
/*      .          |          |          |
/*      .          |          |          |
/*      .          |          |          |
/*      flash      |          |          |
/*      .          |          |          |
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/*      .          |          |          |
/*      .          |          |          |
/*      .          |          |          |
/*      .          |          |          |
/*      .----->|-----|0x00000000 _startup
/*
/*
/* The easy way to prevent the linker from loading anything into a memory area is t
/* a MEMORY region for it and then avoid assigning any .text, .data or .bss section
/*
/*
/*      MEMORY
/*      {
/*          ram_isp_low(A) : ORIGIN = 0x40000120, LENGTH = 223
/*
/*      }
/*
/*
/* Author: James P. Lynch
/*
/* *****
/*
/* identify the Entry Point */
ENTRY(_startup)
/* specify the LPC2148 memory areas */
MEMORY
{
    flash            : ORIGIN = 0,           LENGTH = 512K       /* FLASH ROM */
    ram_isp_low(A)   : ORIGIN = 0x40000120, LENGTH = 223         /* variables used by Phil
    ram              : ORIGIN = 0x40000200, LENGTH = 32513        /* free RAM area */
    ram isp high(A)  : ORIGIN = 0x40007FE0, LENGTH = 32          /* variables used by Phil

```

```

    ram_usb_dma      : ORIGIN = 0x7FD00000, LENGTH = 8192      /* on-chip USB DMA RAM area */
}

/* define a global symbol _stack_end */
_stack_end = 0x40007EDC;

/* now define the output sections */
SECTIONS
{
    . = 0;                                /* set location counter to address zero */

    startup : { *(.startup)} >flash      /* the startup code goes into FLASH */

    .text :                               /* collect all sections that should go into FLASH after startup */
    {
        *(.text)                         /* all .text sections (code) */
        *(.rodata)                      /* all .rodata sections (constants, strings, etc.) */
        *(.rodata*)                     /* all .rodata* sections (constants, strings, etc.) */
        *(.glue_7)                      /* all .glue_7 sections (no idea what these are) */
        *(.glue_7t)                    /* all .glue_7t sections (no idea what these are) */
        _etext = .;                     /* define a global symbol _etext just after the last code byte */
    } >flash                             /* put all the above into FLASH */

    .data :                               /* collect all initialized .data sections that go into RAM */
    {
        _data = .;                      /* create a global symbol marking the start of the .data section */
        *(.data)                       /* all .data sections */
        _edata = .;                    /* define a global symbol marking the end of the .data section */
    } >ram AT >flash                     /* put all the above into RAM (but load the LMA copy into FLASH) */

    .bss :                               /* collect all uninitialized .bss sections that go into RAM */
    {
        _bss_start = .;                /* define a global symbol marking the start of the .bss section */
        *(.bss)                       /* all .bss sections */
    } >ram                              /* put all the above in RAM (it will be cleared in the startup) */

    . = ALIGN(4);                       /* advance location counter to the next 32-bit boundary */
    _bss_end = .;                       /* define a global symbol marking the end of the .bss section */
}
_end = .;                             /* define a global symbol marking the end of application RAM */

```

## PLL Setup

The Olimex LPC-P2148 board has a 12 mhz crystal. The setup of the phased lock loop (PLL) must be revised.

On page 34 of the LPC214x User Manual are two examples of how to calculate the needed PLL initialization values. One example is for a system without USB and the other one is for an application that does employ the USB. This tutorial does NOT use the USB version.

$F_{osc} = 12000000 \text{ hz}$  (crystal frequency)  
 $F_{cco} = 2$  (PLL current controlled oscillator frequency)  
 $cclk = 60000000 \text{ hz}$  (desired system clock)

$$M = \frac{cclk}{F_{osc}} = \frac{60000000}{12000000} = 5 \quad (\text{PLL multiplier value})$$

Therefore, we write M-1 or 4 into the 5 bits of the PLLCFG register.

$$PLLCFG[4:0] = 00100$$

The PLL divider value, P, must have one of the values 1, 2, 4, 8.

$$P = \frac{F_{cco}}{320 \text{ Mhz} \cdot Cclk \cdot 2} \quad \text{as long as } F_{cco} \text{ is in the range of 156 Mhz to 320 Mhz}$$

Let's calculate the high and low limits of Fcco

$$P = \frac{156000000}{60000000 \cdot 2} = 1.3 \quad (156 \text{ Mhz})$$

$$P = \frac{320000000}{60000000 \cdot 2} = 2.6 \quad (320 \text{ Mhz})$$

Obviously, the highest value of P that we can pick is 2. This value will not exceed the limitation that Fcco is less than 320 Mhz.

Therefore, we look at Table 22 of the Philips LPC214x User Guide and see that a value of P = 2 will require us to enter binary 01 into bits 6-5 of the PLLCFG register.

$$PLLCFG = 0 \ 01 \ 00100 = 0x24$$

The only change to the initialize() code in the main.c source code is the setting of the PLL configuration register, as shown below.

```
void Initialize(void) {
    // Setting Multiplier and Divider values
    PLLCFG=0x24;
    feed();

    // Enabling the PLL */
}
```

```

    PLLCON=0x1;
    feed();

    // Wait for the PLL to lock to set frequency
    while(!(PLLSTAT & PLOCK)) ;

    // Connect the PLL as the clock source
    PLLCON=0x3;
    feed();

    // Enabling MAM and setting number of clocks used for Flash memory fetch (4 cclks in this case)
    MAMCR=0x2;
    MAMTIM=0x4;

    // Setting peripheral Clock (pclk) to System Clock (cclk)
    VPBDIV=0x0;
}

```

## Controlling the LED I/O Port

There are two things to consider here. First, the Olimex LPC-P2106 board had the LED attached to port P0.7 while the newer LPC-P2148 board has two LEDs. LED1 is attached to port P0.10.

Also, the LPC2148 has the new “fast” I/O ports; designed to satisfy the scores of customers who complained about how slow the toggle rate was on the LPC2106 ports.

In the code snippet from main.c below, note that we set the System Control and Status Flags Register (**SCS**) to enable the “fast” I/O ports. The LED1 is in the port 0 setup, so that is identified as **FIO0xxx** in the lpc214x.h file.

### MAIN.C Code Snippet

```

int    main (void) {

    long                j;                // loop counter (stack variable)
    static int          a,b,c;            // static uninitialized variables
    static char         d;                // static uninitialized variables
    static int          w = 1;            // static initialized variable
    static long         x = 5;            // static initialized variable
    static char         y = 0x04;         // static initialized variable
    static int          z = 7;            // static initialized variable
    const char         *pText = "The Rain in Spain";

    // Initialize the system
    Initialize();

    // set io pins for led P0.10
    SCS = 0x03;                        // select the "fast" version of the I/O ports
    FIO0DIR |= 0x00000400;              // pin P0.10 is an output, everything else is input after
    FIO0SET = 0x00000400;                // led off
}

```

```

FIO0CLR = 0x00000400;                // led on

// endless loop to toggle the red LED P0.7
while (1) {

    for (j = 0; j < 5000000; j++ );    // wait 500 msec
    FIO0SET = 0x00000400;              // red led off
    for (j = 0; j < 5000000; j++ );    // wait 500 msec
    FIO0CLR = 0x00000400;              // red led on
}

```

This completes the conversion of the flash-based demo2106\_blink\_flash project to the LPC2148 processor.

For those readers planning to port these example projects to other manufacturers; this will be much more difficult. Programming onboard flash is usually different. Layout of the I/O pins will certainly be different. There is no substitute for detailed and careful reading of the manufacturer's User Manuals.

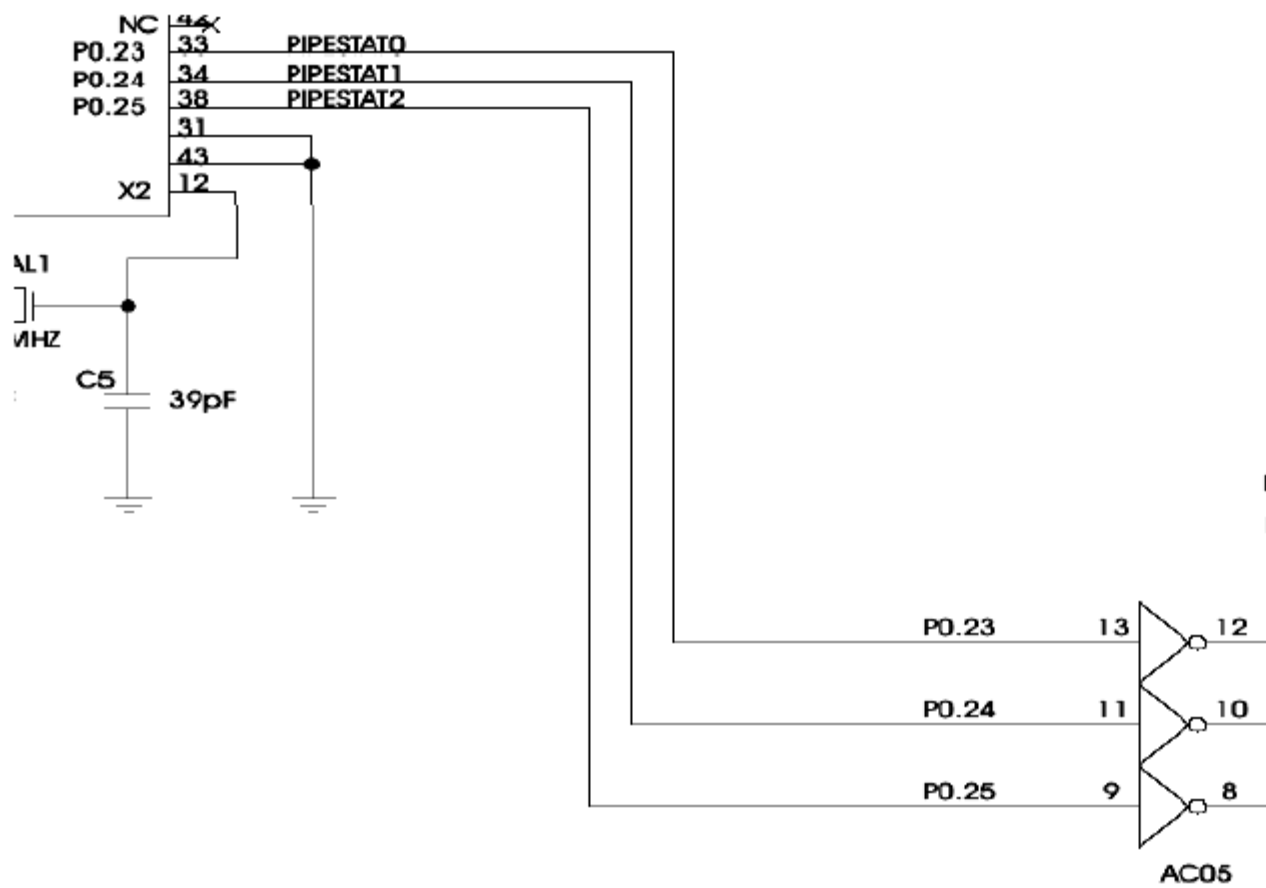
## APPENDIX 2 - Porting LPC2106 Project To The TiniARM

As mentioned in the Introduction, New Micros offers several variants of the Philips LPC2000 family in the TiniARM motif. TiniARM is similar to the famous "Basic Stamp" products you see for the PIC microprocessors in that it's the size of a large postage stamp.

### Install a new LED

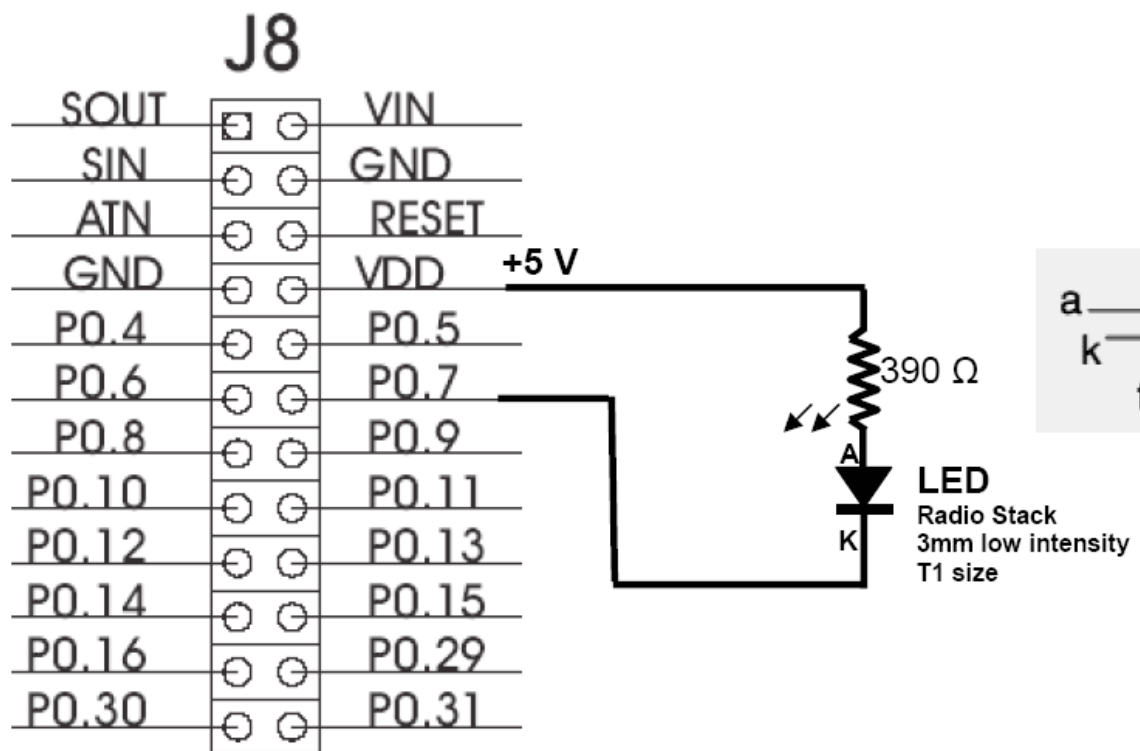
The **TiniARM** has three onboard **LEDs**.



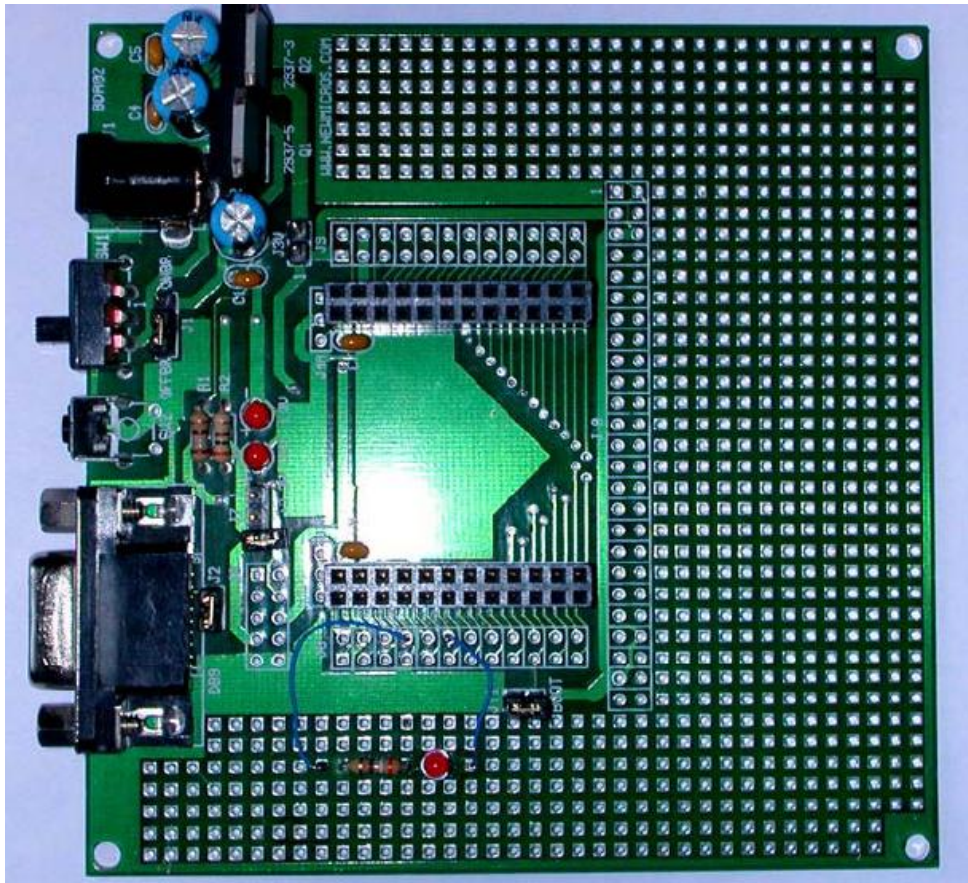


These will not work when you plug in a JTAG debugger, such as the **Wiggler**. When the **DBGSEL** line is pulled high, such as inserting the **Wiggler**, debug mode is entered and these three I/O pins are re-assigned as the **Pipeline Status** bits.

One solution is to add a small LED to the **TiniARM** Controller Interface Board. Since **P0.7** was used in the **LPC2106\_Blink\_Flash** project described previously, this I/O port can be brought out on the **TiniARM** and easily attached to an LED through the **J8** connector on the Controller Interface Board.

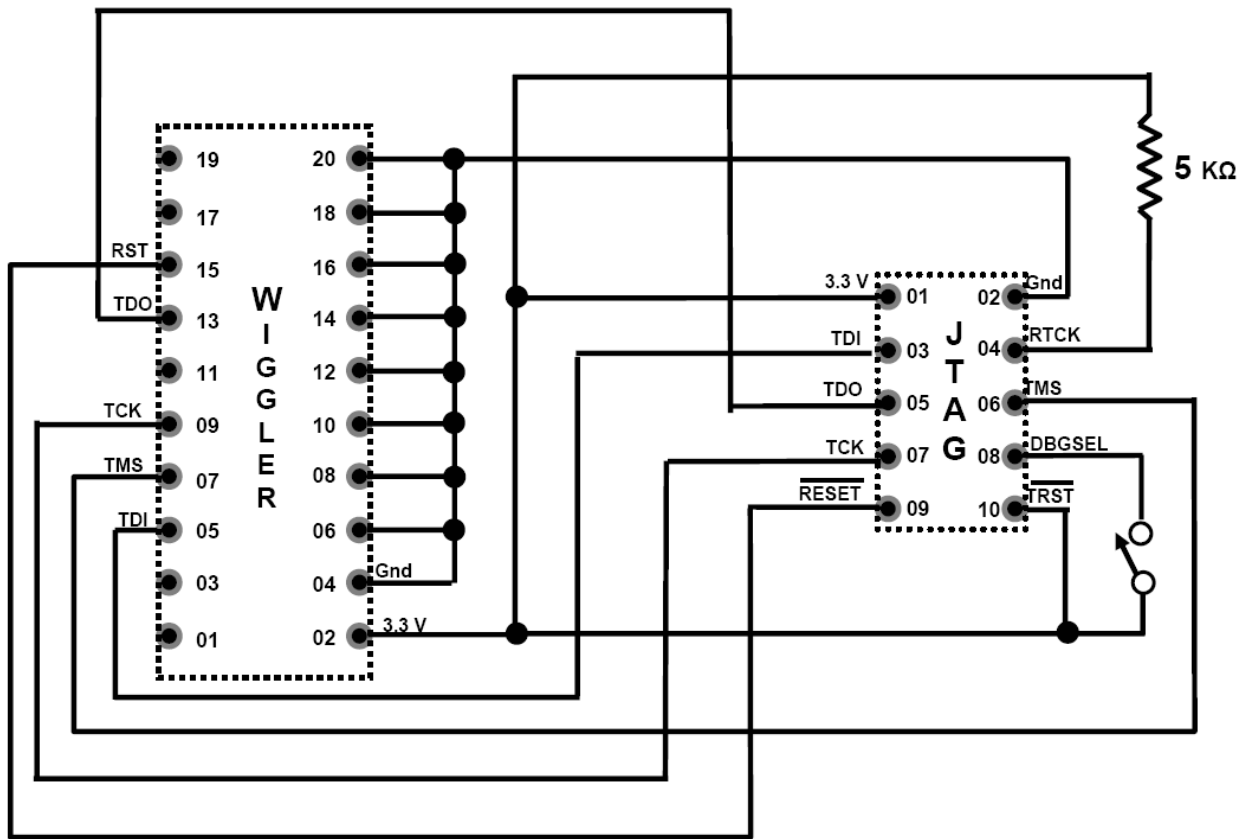


In the photograph below, you can see this additional LED attached to I/O port **P0.7**.

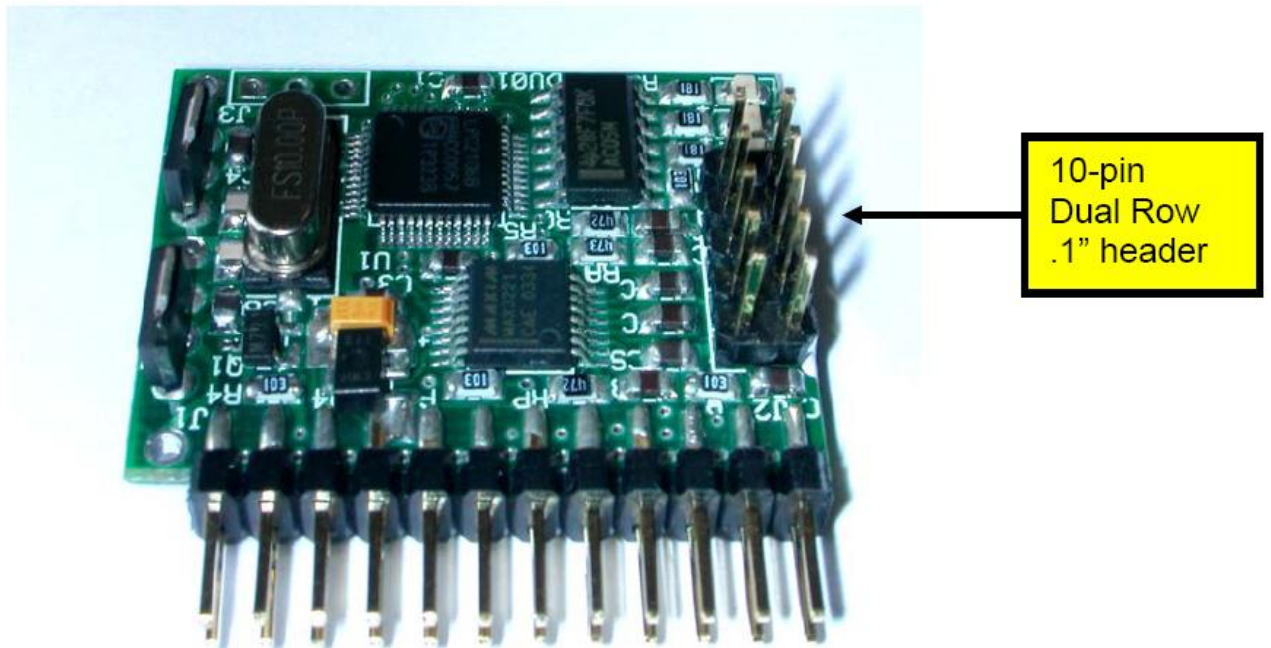


## Create a Wiggler – to TiniARM Adapter

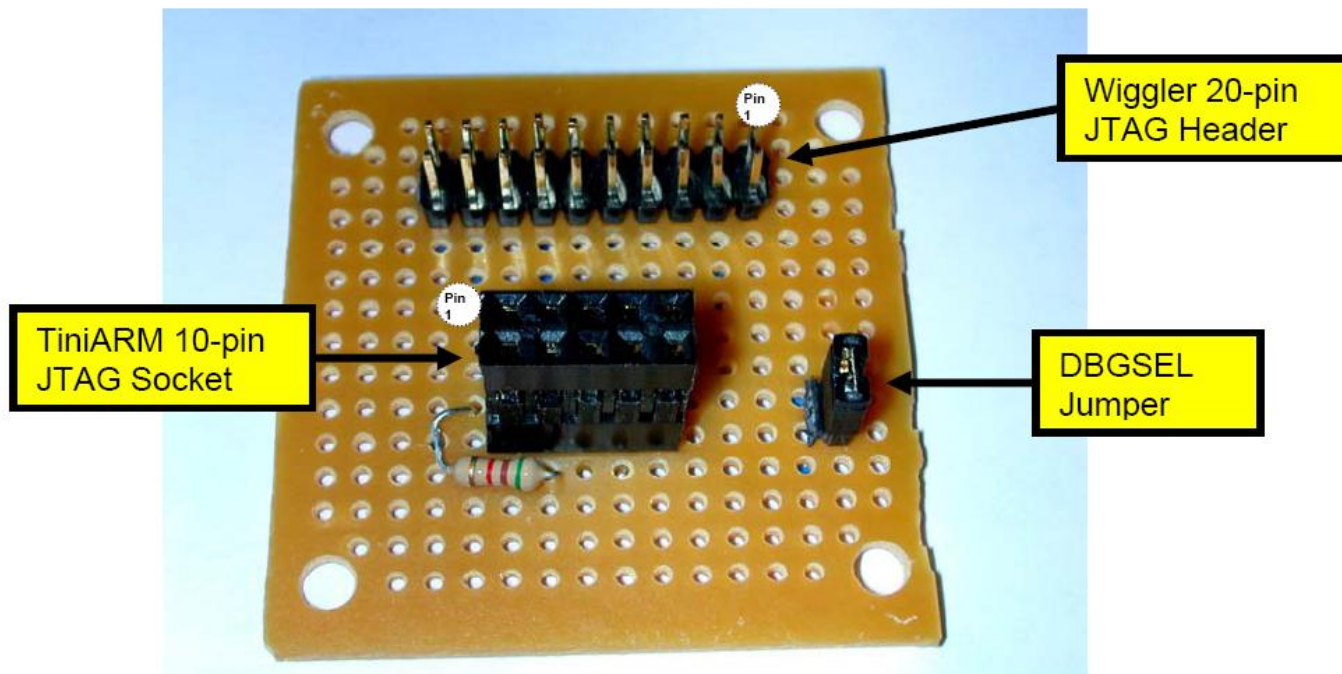
The **TiniARM**, designed from the outset to be very tiny, includes a 10-pin connector pad for the JTAG interface. This is a non-standard design since JTAG plugs are either 14-pin or 20-pin (Wiggler). It's a bit of work, but you can build your own 20-pin to 10-pin adapter with Radio Shack perfboard. Below is the schematic of the schematic of the **TiniARM** JTAG adapter.



First, using a microscope and fine-point soldering iron, solder a 10-pin, dual row header onto the **TiniARM** board.



I used the Radio Shack Nibbler tool to chop the perfboard to size. Below you can see my implementation. It has a 20-pin male dual-row header for the connection to the Wiggler. It also has a 10-pin, dual-row female header for connection into the TiniARM board as shown above. There's a little 2-pin header serving as a DBGSEL switch (or jumper). You can also see the 390Ω resistor.





Below is the finished adapter fitted to the **TiniARM** and installed in the **TiniARM Controller Interface Board**. Note that the **Wiggler's** ribbon cable red stripe (pin 1) is at the top. You can see that I carefully sized my perfboard and installed the connectors so to rest the bottom of the perfboard on the Controller Interface Board. Note too that I positioned the added LED to additionally lock the assembly together.



The boot jumper is inaccessible when the JTAG adapter is fitted. This is not a problem since its position (fitted or removed) is irrelevant when running the Wiggler/JTAG.

With these simple hardware modifications, you can use the TiniARM board with the LPC2106 FLASH and RAM projects described earlier in this tutorial.